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Japanese Hysteria At Asama Maru Incident: Dark Hints By Naval Spokesman NAVY ESCORT FOR N.Y.K. LINERS?

TOKYO, Jan. 25 (UP).—THE NAVY SPOKESMAN, REAR-ADMIRAL KANAZAWA, STATED TO-DAY THAT THE NAVY WAS MAKING PREPARATIONS TO PREVENT A RECURRENCE OF THE ASAMA MARU INCIDENT IN FUTURE. IT WAS PREMATURE TO REVEAL THE NATURE OF THE PREPARATIONS PENDING DIPLOMATIC NEGOTIATIONS.

"The question at issue is not the 21 Germans, but the fact that the affair occurred at the front gate of the Japanese Empire," he said.

SPOKESMAN'S VIEWS

TOKYO, Jan. 25 (Reuter).—The stopping of the Asama Maru by a British cruiser on January 21 and the removal of 21 Germans from the vessel came up for discussion at this morning's Press conference.

The spokesman of the Ministry of Navy, in upholding the Japanese view that the Asama Maru incident was a violation of international law, stressed that in any case Japanese national feelings were more important than questions of law.

He said it was very regrettable that the British Navy took action calculated to injure the prestige of the Japanese Navy at the very entrance to the Japanese capital.

He criticised the discourtesy of the British warship and British Captain in not disclosing their identities.

CAPTAIN WATANABE REPLACED

The spokesman added that the Captain of the Asama Maru has been retired for unseamanlike behaviour in not refusing to surrender the Germans.

As a parallel to the Anglo-Japanese diplomatic negotiations he revealed that the Japanese Navy was making preparations to prevent a recurrence of such incidents in future.

In conclusion he expressed the hope that the British Government would give its policy full reconsideration.

AMBASSADOR'S STATEMENT

"Judging from articles appearing in Japanese newspapers and from statements made by many Japanese visitors to this Embassy, I have gained the impression that there is much apprehension as to the actual point at issue in the Asama Maru case," said Sir Robert Craigie, British Ambassador to Tokyo, in a statement made here to-day.

"For instance there is much talk about the stopping of a Japanese ship constituting in itself an affront to Japan. I should like therefore to assure my Japanese friends that the very last thing that Britain wishes to do is to take action derogatory to Japan's feelings."

Sir Robert Craigie continuing, vindicated the rights exercised by the British warship against the Asama Maru.

NAZIS IN GALICIA

German Eagerness To Obtain Oil

LONDON, Jan. 25 (Reuter).—The position of German troops in Eastern Galicia (Soviet-occupied Poland) was discussed to-day in a broadcast by Mr. F. A. Volz, the well-known journalist and author.

He doubted if there were more than half a division of German troops in the area, but it was interesting that they should be there at all. They must have arrived with the consent of the Soviet Government and would certainly work with the co-operation of the local Soviet authorities.

Near Rumanian Border

They were actually near the Rumanian border although it was suggested that they were there to guard the railway which ran through Galicia from Rumania to Germany.

The Germans needed the railway.

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New Name For Nazi Pocket Battleship

BERLIN, Jan. 25 (Reuter).—The pocket battleship, Deutschland, is to have her name changed.

She was last heard of in November when racing for home with a British cruiser in hot pursuit after her and another warship which had helped her to sink the armed merchant cruiser, Rawalpindi.

The German High Command announced to-day that she will be renamed the Luetzow because the name Deutschland is to be reserved for a bigger ship.

The present Luetzow will also be renamed.

LOWLANDS READY TO DEFEND NEUTRALITY Netherlands Makes Position Clear

AMSTERDAM, Jan. 25 (Reuter).—The determination of the Netherlands to adhere to strict neutrality was expressed in the First Chamber by the Foreign Minister to-day.

Whoever takes up arms against the Netherlands will be met by armed forces.

MILITARY PRECAUTIONS

Military precautions were necessary when foreign forces were near the frontier, and the country took these on all sides. He deplored the light-hearted way in which possible attacks on neutrals are discussed because this deadened moral values.

He hoped that the League of Nations might take on a new life were not yet exhausted, he said. There was no moral or juridical obligation on members as neutrals to take part in the war.

New Call For Peace

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

THE HAGUE, Jan. 25 (UP).—The Foreign Minister, M. van Kieften, sounded a new call for European peace in his speech to Parliament to-day.

He warned the belligerents to respect Dutch neutrality and avoid harming Dutch trade and territorial integrity.

"They say the time for peace has not yet come, but what is the use of fighting if both sides fight an enemy they cannot destroy?" he asked.

The Netherlands government, he said, was convinced that its course was one of strict neutrality.

"It is up to us to remain out of the war."

"One thing is certain. Whoever takes up arms against us will meet our arms."

He summoned the Dutch people to endure sacrifices and increase their defensive strength and warned possible aggressors in Europe.

"As long as this nation is willing to give up everything for its integrity, its territory and its independence, no big Power can allow itself to see our territory in the hands of others in Europe or Asia."

SWORD OF DAMOCLES Now Poised Over Japan's Head

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25 (Reuter).—Despite the trouble attendant on the Finnish loan and the difficulties with Britain, Washington is keeping the Far East well in mind.

The impression that the Administration means business seems to be confirmed by the comment in the "Washington Post" which, referring to the expiration to-morrow of the American-Japanese treaty of commerce says:

Opens New Chapter

"On January 26 a new and significant chapter in Japanese-American relations will be ushered in. For more than eight years, the Japanese have repeatedly manifested a complete disregard of American rights and interests in China."

"The State Department has protested against the long and humiliating series of unfriendly actions, but the protests have been wholly ineffective."

The newspaper goes on to point out that a way is now open for the stoppage of the supply of basic war materials to Japan in accordance with a widespread and popular demand.

Depends On Japan

It adds: "No one knows better than the Japanese how seriously they would be injured by legislative interference with trade. Whether retaliatory measures will be taken against Japan depends largely on Japan's conduct in the Far East. The sword of Damocles is obviously poised over Tokyo."

HE KNOWS TOO MUCH Why Mr. Young Is In Prison

SHANGHAI, Jan. 25 (UP).—"Mr. James Young," states the "China Weekly Review," "was arrested due to the fact that he knew and wrote too much about the critical conditions in Japan."

By putting an outstanding correspondent in the Far East into prison the Japanese hoped to intimidate all foreign newspapermen and thus prevent worldwide dissemination of reports on the situation in Japan, which the military leaders do not wish exposed to the outside world.

Dangerous Comparison

"Any correspondent who would dare to send a despatch from Japan telling about the artificial and uneasy atmosphere which prevails in Japan, or who would dare contrast this atmosphere with the genuinely optimistic and united atmosphere that prevails in Chungking would probably be placed in a cell alongside that occupied by Mr. Young."

However, his arrest on the eve of the expiration of the Japanese-American Treaty was "probably done more to concentrate American attention on the critical relations between Japan and the United States than anything else that they could have devised."



THESE PHOTOGRAPHS graphically indicate the Arctic conditions under which Russian and Finnish troops are battling in Finland. Photograph above shows a Russian tank captured by the Finns in the Petsamo area. BELOW—A Russian bomber brought down by Finnish anti-aircraft fire near Helsingfors.—Domei Photos.

Big Russian Offensive Dies Away: Arctic Attack

HELSINGFORS, Jan. 25 (Reuter).—A Finnish war communiqué states that in the Karelian Isthmus the situation is relatively quiet. Activity is limited to reconnaissance and harassing artillery fire.

North of Lake Ladoga, the enemy has continued attacks all day.

The most violent fighting occurred at Aittolampi. The attacks were repelled with great losses to the enemy.

Last night the enemy began to attack at Kollanlampi. The attack was continued during the night with brief intervals, and before daybreak it was finally repulsed.

As in recent battles, the enemy again lost several hundred men.

In Lapland, the enemy attacked Finnish positions at Haerikajervi but were repulsed. At Petsamo, the enemy attacked twice without result.

Owing to the snow, there was no aerial activity except some bombing attacks of little importance at Kuusamo and the archipelago, and Anland Islands.

See War-Torn Finland British Labour Leaders In Helsingfors

HELSINGFORS, Jan. 25 (Reuter).—The British delegation spent most of the day inspecting the devastation caused by bombs at Hango.

Interviewed, Sir Walter Citrine said: "It seems certain from what I have seen that the Russian bombers have primarily concentrated on demoralising the civilian population."

"Not a single place that we saw which had been hit at Hango was a military objective, but many places and workers' houses were destroyed completely."

Ineffective Bombing

"The bombing appeared to have been inefficiently done. The actual consequences in most cases were comparatively small."

"Our business is to discover the extent of Finland's needs and how far the need is being met. If we find that the need is greater than the aid which is being given, the Labour Movement will use the maximum of its public influence to see that the need is met."

"It must be remembered that Britain herself is at war and has pressing needs of her own."

Works, Not Words

The expiration of the treaty is taken calmly here. The general attitude is that any move to convert the trade relations between the two countries from the transitory basis, which begins on Saturday morning, must come from Tokyo.

Following the trenchant words of the "Washington Post" this morning, the "Evening Star" to-night speaks in the same forthright manner, declaring that "the Mikado's Government has long been aware what it must do to make the United States more treaty-minded—Japan must pledge herself to mend her ways in China and be judged in Washington by her works and not by her words."

The writer concludes that January 26 is the turning point of Japanese-American relations, "but there is no longer room for doubt that beneficial results can only follow a fundamental change of heart, spirit and policy in Japan."

LATEST

NAZI PLANE OVER THAMES

LONDON, Jan. 25 (Reuter).—A plane believed to be German appeared high over the Thames Estuary to-day and was driven off by A.A. fire.

It climbed out of sight leaving a trail of smoke behind it.

An Aberdeen fishing trawler, which put into port to-day, reported that a Heinkel bomber dropped two bombs near the ship off the northern coast of Scotland on Wednesday. There were no hits and no damage was caused.

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CONSCRIPT THE LAND!

Lloyd George Appeals To Government

LONDON, Jan. 25 (Reuter). "Every scrap of land ought to be conscripted in the fight for freedom," declared Mr. Lloyd George in the course of a debate in the House of Commons to-day on agriculture, in which Mr. W. S. Morrison, the Minister of Food, justified the Government's policy in concentrating on storage of wheat.

He stated that the supplies of feeding-stuffs for animals had not been raised to 60 per cent. of the normal requirements, and added that he did not think it reasonable to expect that full pre-war supplies of feeding-stuffs could be maintained in war-time.

Economy Urged

Mr. Morrison urged the utmost economy in overseas feeding-stuffs.

Mr. Lloyd George, declaring that British agriculture and carrying capacity of British ships had largely declined compared with 1914, urged the Government to organise our resources on the assumption that it was going to be a very long struggle. The veteran politician added that if it was a short one, we should gain by saving two or three years.

OTTAWA, Jan. 25 (Reuter).—Seventy officers and 200 men of the R.A.F. have arrived in Canada to help in the Empire Air Training Scheme.

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The Register of Shares of the Company will be CLOSED from Friday, the 9th February, 1940, to Friday, the 16th February, 1940, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors,
C. M. MANNERS,
Secretary and Manager.
Hongkong, 25th January, 1940.

HUMPHREYS ESTATE & FINANCE CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF Shareholders will be held at the HONG KONG HOTEL, Hong Kong, on Thursday, the 15th February, 1940, at 11.00 A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1939.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from Saturday, 3rd February to Thursday, 15th February, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 23rd January, 1940.

HONGKONG TRAMWAYS, LIMITED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY GENERAL MEETING OF HONGKONG TRAMWAYS LIMITED will be held at the offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Hongkong, on FRIDAY, the 16th day of February, 1940, at 12 o'clock noon, to transact the ordinary business of the Company.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO GIVEN that the REGISTER OF MEMBERS of the Company will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, the 2nd to FRIDAY, the 16th February, 1940, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
W. F. SIMMONS,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 25th January, 1940.

NOTICE TO SHIPPERS

Notice is hereby given that freight rates will be increased by approximately 15% effective February 23, 1940. A new tariff is now in preparation.

HONGKONG/CARIBBEAN SEA PORTS RATE AGREEMENT

Hongkong, January 24, 1940.

Examination Of U.S. Mails

Washington Concedes A Point

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25 (Reuter).—The public revelation of the recent enormous growth in the dispatch of food and clothing to Germany has produced a diminution of feeling aroused by the Anglo-American controversies over the British examination of United States mail.

It is believed that the United States concedes the right to Britain to examine parcels, but will continue to dispute the right of Britain to censor letter correspondence.

It is widely known in this country that since the stoppage of German sailings, German shipping offices have been exclusively engaged in booking orders for food to be bought in Holland and shipped to given addresses in Germany.

This practice enables Germans here to feed relatives in Germany and in addition, provides Germany with foreign exchange reserves.

C. R.

NOTICE

CHINESE NEW YEAR FAIR

Gloucester Road, between Fowling Street and Fleming Road, will be closed to Vehicular Traffic from January 29 to February 7 inclusive.

T. H. KING,
Commissioner of Police.
26th January, 1940.
Hong Kong.

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PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS

of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 29th day of January, 1940, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Mong Kok, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

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No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet	Approx. Area in sq. feet	Approx. Area in sq. feet
1	4211	Adjoining Kowloon Island Lot No. 4180 & 4181, Canton Road, Hong Kong.	as per sale plan.	11,180	206	15,770

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2	4277	Adjoining Kowloon Island Lot No. 4180 & 4181, Canton Road, Hong Kong.	as per sale plan.	10,700	186	15,752

Summer Time To Start On Feb. 25

LONDON, Jan. 25 (Reuter).—In the House of Commons to-day, Sir John Anderson, the Home Secretary, announced that after consultation with the French Government, it was decided that summer time should commence at 2 a.m. on February 25.

MAORIS TO FIGHT FOR ALLIES

AUCKLAND, Jan. 25 (Reuter).—After forming their own infantry unit, Maori troops for the New Zealand Expeditionary Force entered the camp for field training to-day. The unit has native non-commissioned officers.

Generals Are Honoured By French

BRITISH COMMANDERS RECEIVE DECORATIONS

ON THE WESTERN FRONT General Sir Edmund Ironside, the Chief of the Imperial General Staff, and General Lord Gort, the Commander-in-Chief of the B.E.F., were decorated to-day with the Grand Cross of the Legion of Honour by General Gamelin, the Commander-in-Chief of the Allied Forces in the field.

The ceremony took place behind the chateau where General Gort has established his headquarters. There were present, as the day had already set in, a considerable number of the chateau staff and a detachment of Welsh Guards and men from the 8th Regiment of Zouaves formed an Anglo-French guard of honour. Thirty-five of the Zouaves already wear the Croix de Guerre with three bars. The Zouaves were these stocks, sombre fighting men made a splash of red across the green of the fields which stretch from the base of the chateau walls.

The Ceremony

Shortly after luncheon the party emerged through the french windows at the back of the chateau. It included General Georges, who is General Gamelin's Chief of Staff, and Mr. Churchill, who is staying with General Gort after a visit to the headquarters of the Royal Air Force. At the foot of the terrace steps the Generals halted at the salute, while the Zouaves' band of bugles, cymbals, and drums played "God Save the King" and the "Marseillaise."

After inspecting the guard of honour the French and British Generals faced one another in the middle of the open space. General Gamelin drew his sword and raised it high above his head. His command "Ouvrez le ban" was answered by a smart roll of the Zouave drums. Raising his sword once more, General Gamelin advanced towards General Ironside, who stepped forward to meet him. The name of the French Republic he was conferring on him the dignity of the Grand Cross of the Legion of Honour, he touched General Ironside lightly on each shoulder. After General Gamelin had taken the decorations from an aide-de-camp, General Ironside stepped forward and laid his sword on the ground. He then laid his hand on the shoulder of General Gamelin, who in turn laid his hand on the shoulder of General Ironside. The act was completed by a handshake and a kiss on both cheeks. Lord Gort was decorated afterwards in identical form and the ceremony was brought to an end by a shout of "Vive le ban" from General Gamelin, followed by a second roll of the Zouave drums.

Zouaves' Bravery

The 8th Regiment of Zouaves, men from which formed part of the guard of honour this afternoon, was one of the first French units to establish contact with the enemy last September. The action in which 35 of the men present to-day won their Croix de Guerre was the first action of the war in which details have been released for publication.

On September 27 orders were received at battalion headquarters that the wooded hill on Oberperle, on German soil, near the Luxembourg frontier, where the enemy had established a strong centre of resistance, must be cleared. The battalion was given the choice of attacking it after artillery preparations or of attempting a surprise action without support from the guns. They chose the second course, and at 4.30 a.m. on September 28 moved forward in the darkness of a moonless night.

The vanguard of 35 men slipped silently into the wood. They were under the command of a young lieutenant, who is described officially as being "full of ardour" and a sergeant. They soon made contact with the enemy whose sentries, in the dry words of the communiqué, were "casually killed at their posts." Resistance stiffened at once. The rest of the company followed the 35 into the darkness of the wood, which was now being stabbed by the burst of hand grenades and the flash of machine-guns. Artillery came to the support of the French, and the machine-guns gave ground, leaving the wood in the hands of the intruder. While mopping up the ground captured, the Zouaves took five machine-guns, 2,000 rounds of ammunition, and 12 prisoners. The value of their surprise tactics was shown by the small numbers of the casualties they suffered as they lost only four wounded and no dead.

All Gramophone Records Are Now Censored

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MORRISON ON "DEATH LIST"

Mr. Herbert Morrison, M.P., has been informed by a correspondent opposed to his views on Russia's act of aggression.

His correspondent was apparently very fierce. Mr. Morrison, writing in the January issue of the official Labour Party publication, says, "I stated in the House of Commons that I was in for it anyway, for I was on the death lists of both the Fascists and the Communists. Certainly I have been shouted at by both. Well, well, I'll try to keep both busy and smiling meantime!"

These names, in addition to those already published in previous lists, represent all naval casualties up to December 14.

The casualties in this list arise from the various hazards of service in war and are not related to any particular ship or action.

The next of kin have been informed.

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Lieutenant R. P. Thurston, R.N.

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Acting Sub-Lieutenant (A) P. T. Bethell, R.N.
Midshipman (A) J. C. Casey, R.N.
Acting Sub-Lieutenant (A) D. Copsey, R.N.
Lieutenant (A) R. H. M. Heriot-Hilli, R.N.
Midshipman (A) R. M. D. Kettle, R.N.
Acting Sub-Lieutenant (A) M. R. Pike, R.N.
Acting Sub-Lieutenant (A) E. S. Woodford, R.N.

MISSING, BELIEVED KILLED

Lieutenant (A) M. W. Bird, R.N.
Lieutenant G. H. E. Osmaston, R.N.
Lieutenant (A) A. H. Phipps, R.N.
Sub-Lieutenant (A) H. A. Wheatman, R.N.

DIED OF WOUNDS

Commander N. J. Crossley, R.N.
Skipper C. L. Felt, R.N.R.
Acting Lieutenant H. L. Loring, R.N.
Cadet D. A. E. Stewart-Cox, R.N.

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Sub-Lieutenant J. A. Breerton, R.N.R.
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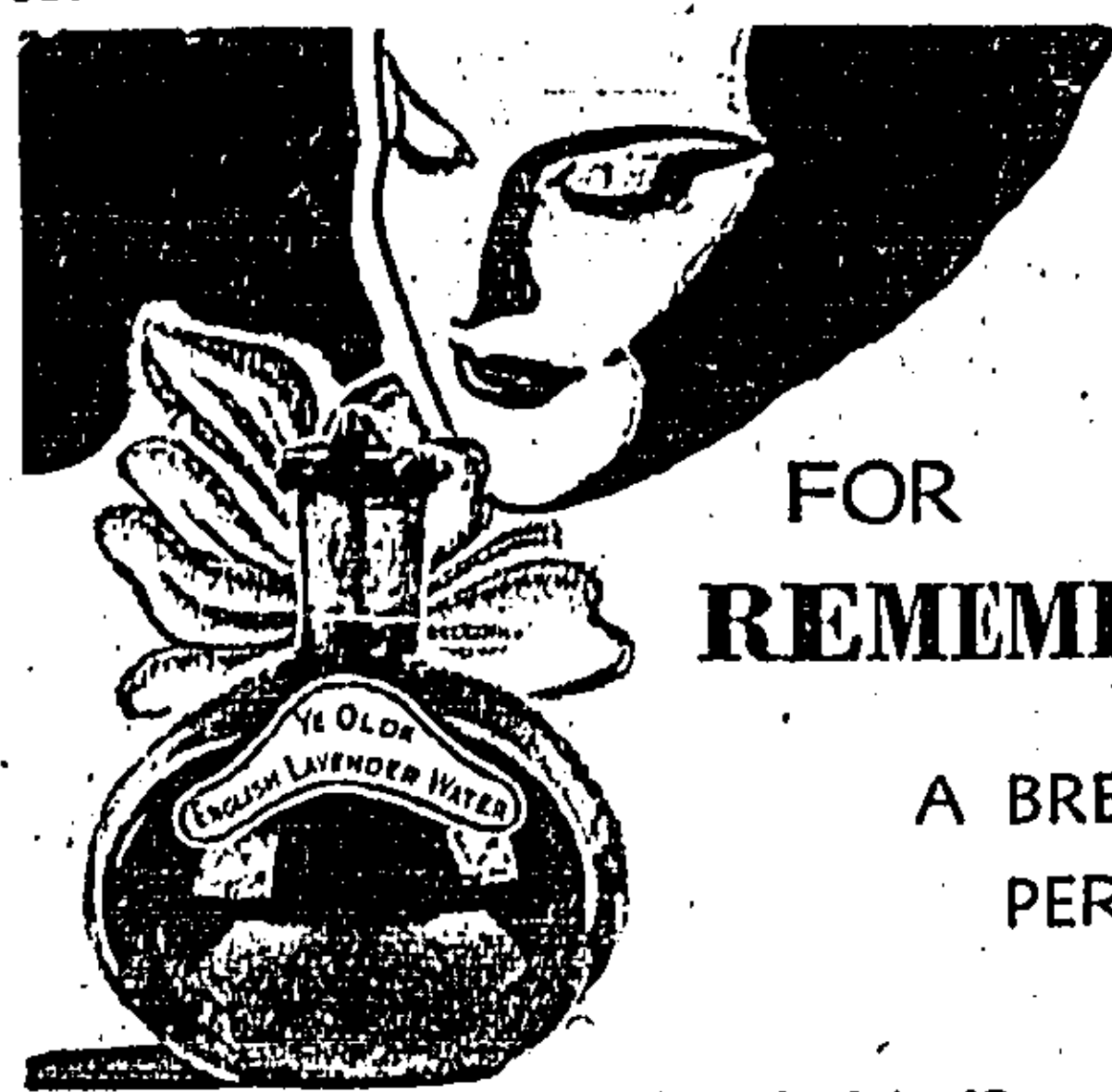
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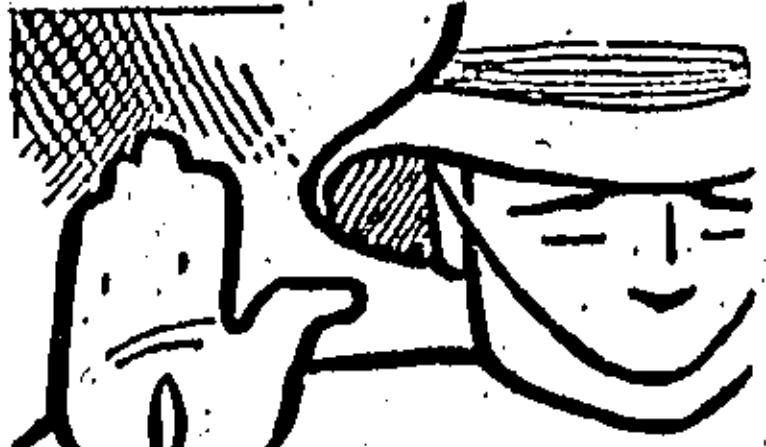
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War and Culture

ONE of the worst features of modern war and modern international rivalry is that nations are made to suffer in mind as well as in body.

For totalitarian war imitates the totalitarian State and destroys or tries to destroy everything that can keep memory and imagination alive.

A few months ago the Germans wreaked their anger on the most ancient of the Czech universities: a university that had been respected even in the most bitter phases of the quarrel between Czech and German as the home of Czech culture.

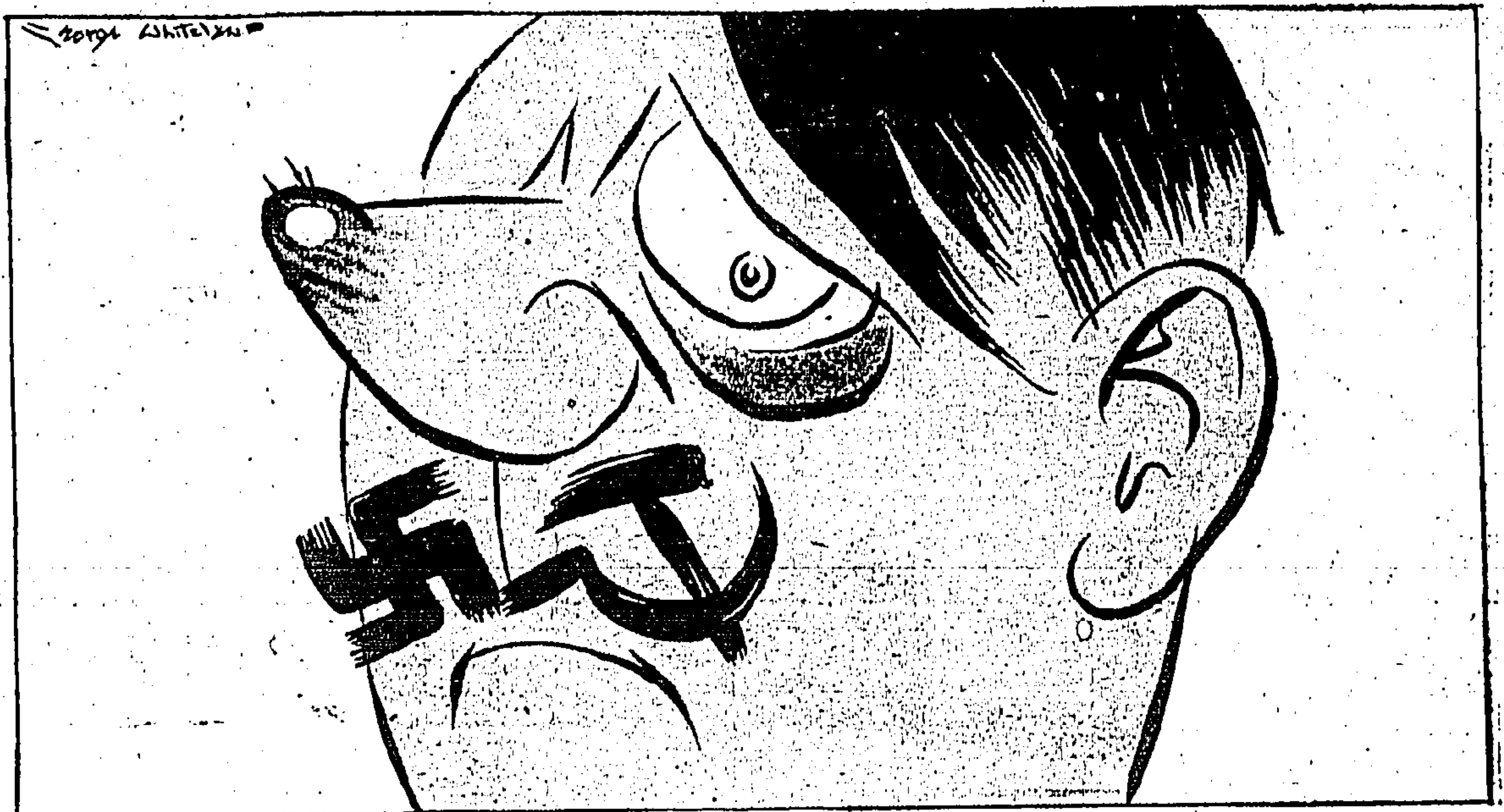
They have now dismantled the interior of Belvedere Palace at Warsaw, the museum in which Pilsudski's memory was cherished, turning the chapel into a music-room.

The Lithuanian Government, following this bad example, has closed the Polish University at Vilna, a university established in the sixteenth century.

The racial rivalries of Eastern Europe and the Balkans have been seen at their worst in the persecutions of language, religion, and university, and now the most powerful State in Central Europe is making savage intolerance in this form the basis of its policy.

Yet this Power thinks that it is fitted for the hegemony of Europe.

The contrast between the behaviour of Nazi Germany to Czech universities and that of the Republic of Czechoslovakia to German universities shows how sadly the standard of civilised government must decline wherever Germany spreads her rule.



In view of the shortage of soap in Germany, which is likely to cause a renewed wave of moustache-growing, Hitler will doubtless inaugurate this new fashion—

THE SWASTICKLE

Stalin Would Like To Forget TANNENBERG

The Russian debacle in Finland was described by Webb Miller, "United Press" War Correspondent, yesterday as the greatest Russian debacle since Tannenberg. Tannenberg was not so much a victory for German arms as an overwhelming defeat for the Russian fighting machine.

Samsonov's big and cumbersome army had been marching about the Polish plains for a fortnight. It was a hot and automatically righted the things that Prittwitz had left undone. But the Russian debacle had already started.

Brilliant Ludendorff

THE years before the war the plans for an attack of East Prussia had been carefully laid. Two Russian armies were to march against the Germans north and south of a line of marshy lakes. The principal army was led by one Samsonov.

It was typical of the Russians you see the same thing happening in Finland to-day that Samsonov knew nothing of the army he had to command, knew nothing of the staff given him, and had been hauled back from the Caucasus to supervise an attack which should have been carefully rehearsed by the man in charge.

The other Russian commander was Rennenkampf, and his army was at first so successful that the German General Prittwitz funk-ed an engagement aid was promptly superseded. This was on August 21.

Whereupon the German High Command at Coblenz, on the other side of Europe, were rather up a tree. They detached a brilliant tactician called Ludendorff, packed him into a special northbound train, and then looked around for some senior officer to command the East Prussian troops.

Someone suggested the name of Hindenburg, a 68-years-old general pottering around Hanover in civilian clothes, for he had retired in 1911.

Ludendorff's train stopped at Hanover long enough to take Hindenburg on board, and off they went.

The Russian Debacle

THEY were luckier than poor Samsonov. By the time they reached East Prussia the German staff and

stickly August. Railways in Poland were few and far between—as they are to this day. The Russians have never yet managed to run a railway properly, and perhaps—now that they have taken to the air—never will.

Ammunition and food began to run out, and Samsonov's reconnaissance work was deplorable.

Twenty-five years ago this morning Samsonov knew so little of the whereabouts of Rennenkampf's other Russian army that he firmly believed that the pincer-like movement was in progress. Actually, he was hourly drawing farther away from Rennenkampf! The pincer was opening, not closing.

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Now a word about the French...

BY SPIKE
HUGHES

IT is one of the ironies of this very odd war that we know more of the character of our present enemies than of our present allies.

So I thought that a few words about the French might come in handy, especially as quite a number of you may have to share a trench with them sometime. The French being a democratic nation with the not-easy-to-live-up-to motto, "Liberty, Equality, Fraternity" (you'll find that inscribed on the money when you get to France), are not so conveniently to be divided into classes as, for instance, the Germans.

To the average Englishman, indeed, there is only one class of Frenchman at all. He wears a tall silk hat, a little pointed beard, punctuates his wild gesticulations with witty little remarks like "Zut alors!" and "Hein!" and spends the greater part of his life glorifying La Femme (English: The Woman).

The day he passes, seated in a café, reading "risqué" magazines; the night he devotes to unspendable revels which is saved by thought "wicked" by the Frenchman's characteristic charm, wit and "naughtiness."

In fact, however, this typical Frenchman has only ever existed in English comic papers, so that the real Frenchman may prove something of a disappointment when you meet him.

CHARM and wit the French most certainly have, and for all their superficial excitability they are perhaps the most tolerable of all races. If you are patient with them they will do almost anything for you, and more than that if you show any fondness for their children.

The backbone of the French nation is the bourgeoisie. Thrifty and well-fed, these are easily recognised by the fact that on the hottest summer Sunday nothing will induce them to appear in public except in their best clothes. They take life a little seriously, and, though they may dis-

prove of those who don't, they are too good-natured to say so.

From this class come the French Civil servants and shopkeepers.

The shopkeepers you will find particularly friendly and willing to pass the time of day, but do remember to say "Bon jour" when you enter the shop, and "Au revoir" when you leave. It suggests that your shopping is also a social pleasure.

Little courtesies like this on your part will work wonders, and if the shopkeeper hasn't got what you want he will be only too pleased to tell you where you can get it. He may even send somebody to get it for you if he sees that you're a stranger in those parts.

THE Civil servant, or small-time official class of Frenchman, appears somewhat inhumanly bureaucratic at first; but a smile, a little tact, and patience will reveal that he is an individual with a sense of humour and a genuine desire to be helpful. Since French mobilisation, of course, it will not be so easy to distinguish one class from another, but I doubt if even a uniform will completely disguise the Young Blood.

This class of young man has a streak of the gigolo in him. In peace time he drives around in a gaily coloured car, dresses with rather exaggerated chic, smokes American cigarettes and takes a passionate interest in *le sport* and *le jazz* hot.

He is a bit of a One for les girls, and will tell you with pride and some detail of his alleged conquests. You, as a guest in his country, will of course listen with interest and appear impressed. By doing so you will help the Frenchman to maintain what he thinks is his reputation among the English.

He will probably put water in vintage claret, but as let's the wine of his country don't appear too shocked. When you will come across the pro-

fessional French soldier. He is a cultured, unaggressive person who goes about his job with a remarkable lack of fuss and bother. He has no particular political views, hates war, loves his country passionately, and is thoroughly good company.

If anything goes wrong he is more likely to laugh than not. Like the French pilot who hit the top of a hedge taking-off in his plane and crashed. He got out of a severely buckled machine, scratched his head and remarked: "Well, isn't that funny! Exactly the same thing happened yesterday."

A class apart in France are the mechanics. They wear berets and white boiler suits, and in spite of a deal of excited discussion and argument will tear an engine to pieces and put it back better than when it left the factory. They are probably the best mechanics in the world.

French children are not much different from other children, except that while you are struggling with your Hugo's, they seem to have no difficulty in speaking French at all.

They are apt to beg and run after you in the streets until they get something out of you, but if you find them really tiresome the liaison officer will, on application, supply you with one or two magic phrases to disperse them. But don't be too harsh; they may be the allies of tomorrow.

LASTLY, there is the *homme de la rue*. He's very much like the rest of us men-in-the-street in any civilised country. He reserves the right to think and say what he likes. He enjoys political argument, makes indelicate jokes at the expense of the Government, the conscription, the bachelor's tax and the bonus for large families.

When a crisis arises, however, he becomes deadly and grimly calm. Remember a year ago he behaved so quietly and determinedly that, I wondered, watching him, why *sang froids* was supposed to be exclusively an English virtue.

One thing only will bring the blood rushing to his cheeks: the mention of "Xilaire."

OVERNIGHT NEWS PAGE

Strange Story From Shanghai

SHANGHAI, Jan. 26 (UP).—A Japanese military spokesman stated last night that the Army and Navy were taking extraordinary precautions in assuring the safety of the American Ambassador, Mr. Nelson T. Johnson, on his voyage to Hankow on the U.S.S. Luxon, following receipt of intelligence information that the Chinese were planning to assassinate the Ambassador in an effort to cause a crisis in Japanese and American relations to coincide with the expiration of the Japanese-American treaty. Mines or artillery might be used, the information declared.

Mr. Johnson left Shanghai yesterday with the U.S.S. Oahu accompanying the Luxon.

The United States Marines Intelligence Department said they had not received information and indicated they would have known something if the Luxon had been informed of the alleged plot.

America-Japan

TOKYO CRITICISM

Tokyo, Jan. 25. Commenting on the expiration of the Japanese-American commercial treaty, the Asahi Shimbun says that the embargo resolution offered by Senator Keen Pittman will soon be discussed and "in the recent state of affairs, the Bill will pass."

It says that Japanese diplomacy has been out-generalled and that the United States is now Great Britain's watchdog in the Far East, "policing the whole world." But, if the United States and Great Britain have allowed the Chinese propaganda that Japan is economically prostrate, and if they provoke Japan, then will soon realize their mistake.

—United Press.

Gen. Homma's Opinion

Tientsin, Jan. 25. The Japanese Garrison Commander, Gen. Homma, said that if despite Japanese goodwill no response was forthcoming from America, then it would be necessary for the Japanese military authorities to review the situation and consider appropriate steps. Gen. Homma said the expiration of the treaty would not necessarily mean intensified restrictions on American trade in North China, but in the event of an embargo representing America's final decision towards Japan, the Japanese would treat American citizens more favourably than others.

"My impression is that the Americans are ready to take maliciously anything the Japanese military authorities do in China, and probably Japanese is purposely misunderstood," he declared.

Gen. Homma revealed that an anonymous letter was recently received from New York, apparently from an old woman, who complained about Japanese Army Headquarters established in New York where a group of Japanese officers were spying. The letter recommended the recall of the officers to Japan, where they should be killed. He said the officers were merely buying supplies for the Japanese Army.

"The Japanese do not consider the strengthening of the American naval position in the Pacific a friendly gesture," he continued. "I hope the Americans will remember that Japan never similarly challenged America."

Asked whether the Japanese-American differences might eventually be settled by compromise between the new order in East Asia and the open door policy, Gen. Homma said: "Nothing can induce Japan to abandon or change her fixed policy. The Japanese have lost 70,000 men in China and therefore do not intend to surrender what they have died for. The new order was vital both for Japan and the United States and therefore they should co-operate."

Gen. Homma did not believe that a Japanese-American war was possible because there was no serious cause why the difference could not be settled. —United Press.

SUB. SURVIVORS INTERNEED

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" LONDON, Jan. 25 (UP).—Berlin Radio announces the names of four additional survivors from the submarines Undine and Starfish, as follows:

Sub-Lieutenant Anthony Turner, Petty Officer J. T. Paterson, Stoker Jack Fierber, Able Seaman J. Mills.

Stock Exchange Has Quiet Day

LONDON, Jan. 25 (Reuter).—The Stock Exchange was quieter to-day, gilt-edged securities reacting slightly on profit-taking.

Home rails were irregular. Industrials, however, tended to improve.

Of the commodities, shellac was higher on renewed trade and investment buying.

Wall Street was firm.

TOKYO STILL ANGRY OVER INCIDENT

Yesterday's discussions on the Asama Maru incident on Saturday, when a British warship stopped the liner and removed 21 German passengers, showed no abatement in the Japanese determination to obtain a humble apology from Britain, associated with an undertaking not to repeat the offensive action.

Captain Watabe, master of the Asama Maru, has been placed on the "waiting list" and replaced in command as a result of a demand by the crew.

The Japanese Press and Japanese officials have found a new cause for complaint in the action of the British Ambassador in Tokyo in giving a statement of his views to a Press conference yesterday morning before Britain's official reply had been received. They declare that his action ran "counter to diplomatic decorum."

Tokyo, Jan. 25. Reporting before the regular meeting of Cabinet Councilors, the Foreign Minister, Mr. Hachiro Arita, declared that the Japanese Government was prepared to take firm steps.

The Foreign Affairs Council, comprising leading members of all political parties, including the Minseitō, Seiyūkai, Social Mass Party, National League for Japanese Democracy, will meet this afternoon. Representatives of the Foreign Office and of the Navy Office will attend the meeting.

The Tokyo Municipal Assembly met yesterday morning and adopted resolutions denouncing "the action of the British warship prowling at the head of Tokyo Bay" as "piratical" and urging the Japanese Government to invoke the right of a belligerent in China as retaliation against Great Britain. The resolutions were presented by a deputation of Municipal assemblymen to the Premier, the Foreign Minister, the Navy Minister, and the Navy Headquarters, and the British Embassy. —Domel.

Reply Due Soon

London, Jan. 25. The British reply is expected to be delivered in Tokyo within 48 hours. It is believed it will defend the legality of the seizure. —United Press.

Sharp Press Reaction

Tokyo, Jan. 25. Japanese Press circles show a bitter reaction to the statement issued by Sir Robert Craigie, the British Ambassador, at a meeting of Japanese newspapermen this morning. They point out that the step taken by the British Ambassador in announcing his opinion on an outstanding issue at a Press conference before replying to the official protest of the Japanese Government runs counter to diplomatic decorum. The Ambassador allegedly tried to refute point by point the Japanese Government's protest. He declared that Britain had done nothing but to respect the ultimate right of a belligerent and she had never attempted to impair Japan's national prestige. He indicated that the affair took place on the high seas 35 nautical miles off the coast of Japan, whereas a Japanese naval unit stopped the British steamer Ranzania only four nautical miles off Hongkong in May last year. He added that the Germans removed from the Asama Maru were on their way home by order of the German Government and that the latter's exposure and validly formed the objectives of the seizure as stipulated by the London Declaration of 1909.

In reply it is stated that a point 35 miles off Tokyo Bay cannot be regarded as the same in importance as a point four miles off Hongkong; just as an incident off Sydney in Australia and another at the mouth of the Thames cannot be treated in the same light. Such a view, they contend, represents an utter failure to recognize the gravity of the pending issue which is stirring up public feelings in Japan.

As to the status of the Germans aboard the Asama Maru, the Japanese Government had already enunciated its view and any counter opinion on the part of the British Government should be related to the Japanese Government.

Mr. Yukihiro Suma, Chief of the Information Bureau of the Foreign Office, described the Embassy statement as without precedent since it had made public the British view to the Press before any reply had been presented to the Japanese Government, which was still seeking a reply. —Domel.

Parties Meet

Tokyo, Jan. 25. Describing the Ambassador's statement as dogmatic, various groups in both Houses of the Diet met in emergency rallies and urged the immediate reopening of the Diet despite the extended recess to examine the Government attitude against the matter.

The "Reformist" section of the Seiyūkai, second largest group in the Lower House, held a meeting of directors and agreed to demand the opening of the Diet in view of the grave issue threatening the Imperial prestige. The group has decided to approach other Diet groups with the proposal.

The Conservative section of the Seiyūkai also held a meeting of directors, urging the necessity of meeting the situation with a firm attitude in face of the grave issue threatening the national prestige. The group appointed a special inquiry committee.

The Kenkyūkai, of the House of Peers, held a general meeting and the Koseikai of the Upper House will be meeting to-morrow. —Domel.

Comment From Germany

Berlin, Jan. 25. The Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung compares the removal of the Germans from the Asama Maru with the action of the British in granting refuge to the four Chinese seamen in Tientsin. The paper says the new Japanese Government, particularly Mr. Arita, will not accept this violence silently. The whole Japanese people are unitedly behind the Government demands for atonement and reparation for the British crime.

"The events of 1939 have shown the Japanese clearly that England's Far Eastern power has greatly lessened. She has fallen back to positions in Singapore for her advance posts. Hongkong is more or less blockaded by the Japanese and England's influence in China has fallen to zero," says the paper. —United Press.

No Ban Imposed

Tokyo, Jan. 25. The Foreign Office officially denies there is any intention of forbidding Japanese ships to transport subjects of military age of any belligerent power.

A naval convoy is among the measures contemplated if the situation is seriously aggravated. —United Press.

Captain Replaced

Tokyo, Jan. 25. Captain Yoshisada Watabe, master of the Asama Maru, has been placed on the "waiting list."

The crew threatened to leave the ship unless the captain were changed. Captain Toru Fujita, master of the Hakone Maru, has been appointed to command the Asama Maru. —Domel.

NAVY ESCORT FOR N.Y.K. LINERS?

→ FROM PAGE ONE

Incident is increased owing to political circles accusing Sir Robert Craigie of committing a serious breach of diplomatic etiquette in appealing directly to the Japanese people for co-operation.

The Foreign Office spokesman, Mr. Suma, described the British Ambassador's action as almost without precedent.

Sir Robert Craigie's exposure to the Press of the British Government's viewpoints before the British Government had officially replied to the three Japanese protests has created a sensation in Japanese political circles.

Sir Robert Craigie issued a statement to the Japanese Press that the Asama Maru was stopped because it intended to wound Japanese sensibilities in the present China incident.

The Japanese Navy, he said, had detained and boarded British ships on more than 191 occasions.

Mr. Suma hinted that a conference and the Japanese Press assailed Sir Robert Craigie for appealing to public opinion before a formal diplomatic answer is made, as "an unfriendly step, the like of which has been very rarely seen in any country in the past."

Just Personal Opinions

Sir Robert Craigie pointed out that the statement constituted personal opinions and must not be considered as the British Government's reply in any way. Hence the enthusiastic Maru case would be discussed without prejudice to right, anger or excitement.

He pointed out that the Japanese Navy had halted and boarded British vessels in China waters on 191 occasions.

Gateway To Hongkong?

They had halted, boarded and inspected the ship of the P. and O. liner Ranzania four miles from Hongkong last May.

The British action in the Asama Maru case was not intended to hurt Japanese dignity but it was simply the execution of the right of a belligerent.

Misunderstood

He said the Japanese Press had misunderstood and misinterpreted the case. He contended that the Germans seized were of military age and therefore military reservists due for conscription enforced. He also claimed that the seized papers had been ordered to return home by the German Government.

Japanese quarters say that Sir Robert Craigie's statement constitutes a deliberate attempt to ignore the importance of the Asama Maru case. Mr. Suma contended that although the British Ambassador described the statement on the Asama Maru case as merely an explanation, what he said was almost without precedent in that it constituted a verdict and appeal to the Press at a time when the Japanese Government was awaiting a formal reply from the British Government.

JAPANESE MERCHANTS WILL BE HARD HIT

TOKYO, Jan. 25 (Reuter).—Under the caption "Treaty's End," the "Japan Times" to-day publishes an editorial stressing the state of uncertainty and instability henceforth prevailing in Japanese-American relations.

The journal understands there are about 4,200 Japanese treaty merchants in the United States who will suffer enormous hardship if they are required to give up business and return to the Orient. Americans in Japan, Manchuria and China more or less total the same figure.

Pointing out that in June foreign residents in Japan were required to register with the Police and be issued with prefectural permits for a year and that unless renewals were secured, Americans or any other foreigners would have to leave Japan, the paper asserts there is good reason to believe the same practice will extend to Manchukuo and by co-operative arrangement to the occupied areas in China.

SCOTSMEN HONOUR ROBERT BURNS

With Scotsmen once again bearing arms in Europe, it was apposite that reference should be made to their great national poet's patriotic service as a volunteer, at the annual Burns' Night Dinner at the Peninsula Hotel last night.

These references were eloquently made by Mr. D. J. Sloss, Vice-Chancellor of the University, when he proposed the toast of "The Immortal Memory of Robert Burns."

More than 230 including the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, attended the dinner, which was served in traditional Scottish style with the Barley Bree and the Haggis and with the assistance of the Honorary Pipers of the Society.

A large decorated portrait of the poet, the 180th anniversary of whose birth the company was celebrating, was hung in the Rose Room.

Dr. G. D. B. Black, Chief Clerk of the Hongkong St. Andrew's Society, presided and the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote, was guest of honour.

With them at the principal table were the Commandant, Chief, Admiral Sir John Noble, Brig. Sir John Laurie, until recently Officer Commanding the British Troops in Tientsin, the Chief Justice, (Sir Atholl MacGregor), the Colonial Secretary (Mr. N. L. Smith), Lieut. Col. H. B. Ross, Commander of the Hongkong and Shanghai Dock and Messrs. E. A. Pritchard, F. B. Winter, J. F. Macgregor, D. Blake and B. Wylie.

Among the guests were the G.O.C., Major-General A. E. Grasett and Capt. S. H. Batty-Smith, A.D.C. to the Governor.

The company was piped into dinner by the Honorary Pipers who later piped in the Haggis and the Barley Bree. Pipe Major W. C. K. Mackie delivered Burns' famous "Address to the Haggis" and the symbols of Scottish culture were blessed by the Chief Clerk's table. The Haggis carrier was Piper H. C. Watson and the Barley Bree carrier was Piper W. A. Cruickshank. The Chief Clerk took the Barley Bree and was followed by the Governor and others at the head table.

Instinctive Artist

After calling Burns the greatest instinctive artist in English literature since Shakespeare and pointing out that the most obvious proof of his genius was found in his songs, Mr. Sloss turned to Burns as a patriot. "Burns, like many of his contemporaries, was theoretically republican, practically a very moderate whig tending towards a democratic ideal of society," he said. "Of the genuineness of his sentiments no one can be in doubt. What more completely realistic document exists than the whole range of letters from 'The Jolly Beggars'?" His enthusiasm, as he says, "for liberty and independence" inspired the best known but, to my mind, very far from his best song of Scottish patriotism—"Scots Wha' Hae." Burns was the enthusiastic Scotchman in a dressing of a few Scots words—not much more than this (although I realise that to say so in this assembly is to court serious reprisals).

"At any rate the threat of a French invasion turned the Jacobite-Jacobin Burns into a patriotic Scotsman. He took his military tasks with immense enthusiasm, and over in the days of his severest financial embarrassment found money for an extravagantly costly uniform. One familiar passage praises the soldierly ideal in terms that never again will be used. Totalitarianism will not go easily into verse.

For gold the merchant ploughs the main, The farmer ploughs the manor; But glory is the soldier's prize, The soldier's wealth is honour! The grave poor soldier, ne'er despise.

Mr. Sloss then read a letter written by Burns and signed by some of his fellow volunteers protesting against the dependence of the Royal Dumfries Volunteers on the begging of alms. There was living appeal in the pride that prompted this letter he pointed out.

"The Lassies"

Proposing the toast of "The Lassies," Mr. G. D. Godfrey said: "When we have all the cares and worry of the hard world on our head who do we usually turn to for comfort and sympathy? The 'Lassies.' But who has caused all this care and worry? The 'Lassies' themselves. What brings to mind these lines? Their tricks and craft has put me daft."

NAZIS IN GALICIA

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for the transport of certain supplies, oil, food, timber, etc. Normally these supplies came by two routes, the Hungarian railways and the Danube. The latter is important, for oil can be shipped in bulk by means of tankers direct to Germany. However, part of the Danube tanker fleet has been bought by the Allies, and the Danube itself is frozen over.

Although the Hungarian railways are exposed to Nazi pressure, the Nazis could not run them as their own, and therefore, it is possible that Germany wants to run the Polish railway as an additional line for her own use.

It had been suggested that the Germans were in Eastern Galicia to guard the oil fields so that Germany could get the whole output. Mr. Voigt felt that this was possible, but pointed out that the yield was a poor one.

He had also heard it suggested that the Russians were giving the Germans railway and oil in return for help in the war against Finland. This, he felt, was doubtful, although it was true that the Germans wanted to see Russia win, and had sent engineers some time ago to stiffen the Soviet defences.

NAZI FREIGHTER SCUTTLED

PARIS, Jan. 25 (Reuter).—The German freighter, Albert Janus, 1,600 tons, was scuttled on being intercepted by one of the French patrol ships.

A U-boat was successfully attacked by another French patrol ship.

NINE-WORD WAR COMMUNIQUE

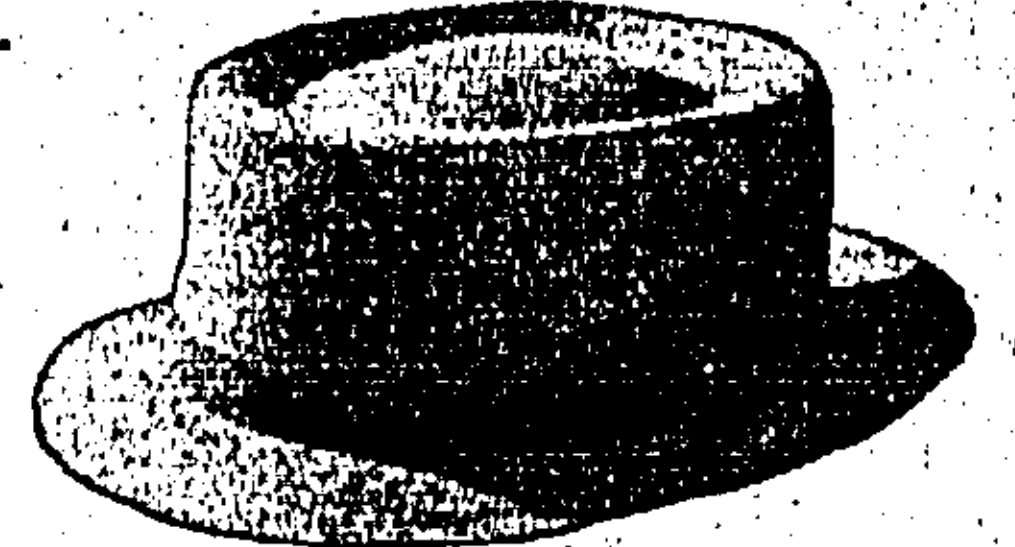
PARIS, Jan. 25 (Reuter).—Tonight's French communique states that it was a quiet day on the whole with some artillery action.

German - Manchukuoan Trade Relations

BERLIN, Jan. 25 (Reuter).—Field Marshal Hermann Goerring to-day received Mr. Aikawa, Chairman of the Manchukuo company for building up heavy industry, and discussed with him the "problems of German-Manchukuoan trade relations."

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FALLING SIX MILES

THE ARMY HIGH COMMAND triumph again. They have won their long-drawn-out struggle with powerful opposition in the Air Ministry for tactical control of all R.A.F. forces in France.

An Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief in France is to be appointed shortly. He will work under the direction of Lord Gort, Commander-in-Chief.

The Army have long argued that closer co-operation and greater striking power can be maintained by single control than by the dual control system previously in operation.

While this news was made known in London, from Paris came the announcement that General Gamelin, Supreme Commander of the Allied Armies, had decorated Lord Gort and General Sir Edmund Ironside, Chief of the Imperial General Staff, with the Grand Cross of the Legion of Honour. Mr. Winston Churchill looked on.

The investiture, coming within a few days of Mr. Hore-Belisha's dismissal from the War Ministry, caused interested comment in military and political circles in London.

It was believed that General Gamelin's purpose was to demonstrate his own and the French Government's confidence in the men who are leading Britain's forces in the field.

Mr. Churchill's presence in France at this time also gave rise to speculation.

Demand for Closer Co-operation

AN AIR OFFICER Commanding-in-Chief in France will, I understand, be appointed shortly. He will control all R.A.F. forces in France, and for tactical purposes will work under the direction of Lord Gort, C-in-C. of the B.E.F.

GRAFT IN NAZI CAMP

Exposed in German Newspaper

AMSTERDAM. WIDESPREAD corruption in the Nazi Party is exposed in a three-column article in to-day's "Koelnische Zeitung."

It shows that people on good terms with the Nazi authorities are favoured in various ways. They obtain favours for their friends. They find it easier to obtain forges, motor cars and petrol. If they are big employers they are favoured in the allocation of skilled labour, raw materials, and Army contracts.

The writer attacks the people who seek and accept such favours. But he also declares that "the Nazi regime is suffering from bureaucratic over-organisation," and shows how this gives opportunity for abuse.

Many Hands

A decision on the supply of certain goods, he declares, cannot be obtained until the matter has gone through five official centres and then finally received the approval of Berlin. In these circumstances, he declares, it is impossible to prevent corruption. "When a person wishes to get some concession on income-tax he has to deal with the income office of the Ministry of Finance. But there are other things upon which more than one authority has to decide. It may be a motor-lorry, a motor-car, petrol, the supply of skilled labour, raw material, arms orders or means of transport."

High-Ups

"No authority must be neglected, otherwise you will be in trouble. Another authority will interfere in order to discover how far some demand has been dealt with, and a third authority will tell the other to hurry up the affair. Very important people, however, do not bother with subsidiary authorities. They are in direct touch with Berlin."

The "Koelnische Zeitung" says that there are people who on the strength of such favoured contacts with the Nazi Party authorities are building up their future without caring one jot how the community as a whole suffers.

It demands vehemently that such a state of affairs must be ended. "The good organisation of the Nazi regime must not be vitiated by personal considerations and favouritism. This can lead only to widespread corruption."

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SPOTLIGHT ON GERMANY

NAZIS OFFENDED BY WAR SONG

The incorrigible slipperiness of the new English war song, "We're going to hand our washing on the Siegfried Line," has given great offence in Germany.

Indignant references to it have been made in the German propaganda wireless broadcasts in English. The statement by the B.B.C. that the song was written by men of anti-aircraft units is said by the German wireless to be obviously untrue.

"This is not a soldier's song, because soldiers do not brag," it was stated. "It was not written in the soldier's camp, but by the Jewish scribbles of the B.B.C. The Englishman's washing will be very dirty and their underclothes, too, before they come anywhere near the Siegfried Line."

French Advice To Listeners

Instructions how to fit headphones to an ordinary wireless set and at the same time to eliminate the loud-speaker are being given in the broadcasts in German from French stations.

There is every reason to believe that the sale of headphones in Germany has been greatly increased, but many listeners do not know how to cut out the loud-speaker which might give them away to their neighbours, and are too frightened to ask.

Secret Police Trap

A new trick to catch German listeners to foreign broadcasts has been adopted by the Gestapo. An advertisement offering "Gains in second-hand radios capable of receiving all European stations" was inserted in a German daily newspaper.

All who visited the shop indicated left between two policemen.

For Housewives

The following menus for the week-end were broadcast over the German wireless recently for the benefit of the German housewife:

FRIDAY
Breakfast: Malt, "coffee" with skimmed milk, wholemeal bread and jam.
Lunch: Boiled carrots, potatoes and sausage.
Supper: Pearl barley boiled with skimmed milk, and stewed fruit.

SATURDAY
Breakfast: Apple soup and bread and butter.
Lunch: Lentils with horse-radish, wholemeal bread with white cheese mixed with apples, and tea.
SUNDAY
Breakfast: Malt "coffee" and milk, and cake.
Lunch: Meat stew, red cabbage, potatoes, stewed bilberries and pears.
Supper: "Muesli"—apples with porridge—sandwiches and fruit.

Unrationed Meat
So complicated are the Nazi food-rationing regulations that long "explanations" and "instructions" are published daily in the German Press.

The acute shortage of meat is one of the greatest problems, and every straw is grasped at in this respect. Beneath the headline "What meat is unrationed?" the "B. Z. am Mittag" triumphantly records that Germans may buy horseflesh without a ration card.

Pork and pork fat are unobtainable in Bratislava, capital of Slovakia. R.A.F. Pamphlets Cause Unrest

"British Pamphlet Distribution a Cheap Advertising Trick" declare German headlines in the Nazi Press. It is significant of the wide currency which the pamphlets have achieved in Germany that the newspapers are permitted to discuss them so freely.

The official explanation that the pamphlets are thrown from a height of 10,000 ft. or 10,000 ft. is poor consolation for a Nazi who finds a pamphlet in his backyard and realises that it might equally well have been a bomb.

Hitler's Bodyguard
It is not yet clear what the exact duties of Hitler's newly constituted "Fuehrer Guard Battalion" are to be. Already possessed of a vast bodyguard of secret police and an "S.S. Battalion Adolf Hitler" the Fuehrer must be one of the most carefully watched men in the world.

It seems unlikely that the entire new battalion will accompany him in the machine-gun and anti-aircraft gun cars which surround him when he visits his troops.

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One of the several neurologists has transferred to the hospital his own electrical machine, one of the only two in the country that facilitates the diagnosis of brain tumours.

In another department famous research chemists are experimenting with gas antidotes.

There is every probability that their efforts will be successful. Already one experiment is progressing most favourably.

Fortunately, the wind carried him back over the French lines. He fell near three French soldiers, who drew revolvers before they realised he was "Anglais."

Serjt. Webber has been made a member of the Caterpillar Club, formed of men who have saved their lives by using parachutes.

CENSORS "TOO HOT"

U.S. Journalist Decides To Leave Berlin

NEW YORK.—The indirect censorship employed by the German Government has forced Mr. Beach Conger, Berlin correspondent of the New York "Herald-Tribune," to leave the country.

In a despatch published last Tuesday he mentioned that the High Command flatly refused to invade any neutral country in an effort to break the military stalemate on the Western front.

In the same despatch Mr. Conger referred to reports of insubordination among submarine crews at Hamburg and described the bewilderment of many Germans over the Munich bomb explosion.

Denial Demanded
He pointed out that thousands of people all over the country were volunteering information about possible culprits, and stated that according to one report 700 arrests were made in Berlin alone.

Mr. Conger also stated that the public were being denied access to publications containing statistics about the last war to prevent comparisons being made between Germany's economic position then and now.

For this, he asserts to-day in a despatch from Amsterdam, he was informed that he would no longer be permitted to communicate with the outside world by telephone or telegraph or through the mails, and would not be permitted to attend Press conferences.

The first reaction to his last message from Berlin was many known at a Foreign Office Press conference on Wednesday, when the correspondents present were warned that such stories would not be permitted.

The same day Mr. Conger was summoned before the Propaganda Ministry and informed that a complete denial would have to be issued otherwise he would no longer be allowed to telephone abroad, and would have to submit all his messages to the censor.

Others Urged To Deny
At the Foreign Office Press conference on Thursday morning a statement was read describing the manner in which Mr. Conger's despatch had been quoted by British newspapers. It was announced that the orders of von Ribbentrop and Dr. Goebbels Mr. Conger would be barred from Press conferences at the Foreign Office and Propaganda Ministry.

He was then ordered to leave the Conference, and was subsequently informed by Propaganda Ministry officials that he could no longer send or receive long-distance telephone messages, telegrams or letters, and that he would be extremely unwise to attempt to evade these restrictions.

"The German Government," Mr. Conger writes to-day, "is apparently determined not to expel any foreign correspondents, but I was told unofficially that correspondents without communication facilities could not go on working in Germany, and would do best to leave."

"Naturally I did not attend the Friday Foreign Office Press conference, but was told by my colleagues they had been warned not to say that the German Government had protested about Tuesday's despatch, but to state as their own opinion that the despatch was untrue."

One Berlin correspondent of the "New York Times" points out to-day that few correspondents have been expelled "although many have been reprimanded." He adds that "seemingly in the German view there is

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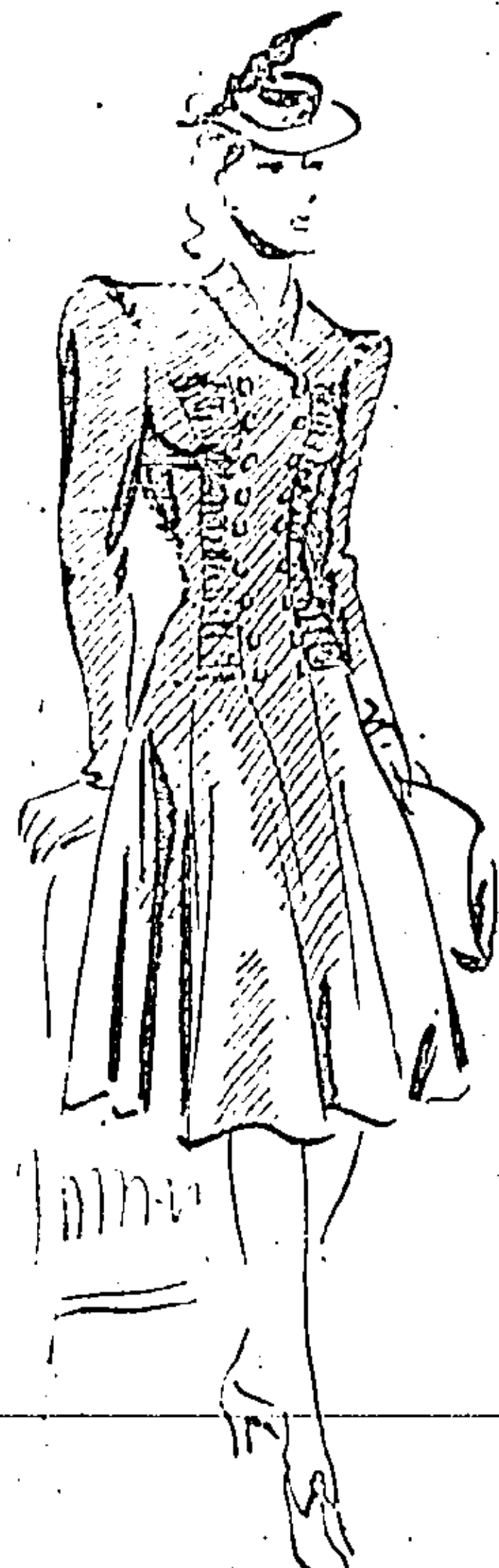
By JACQUELINE HUNT

MANY of you can remember when a shampoo was a monthly ordeal, that involved sitting aside an entire day or at least a good part of it. This was followed by a few trying days when you just "couldn't do a thing with it"—meaning your hair.

But along with the Saturday night bath and heating water on the cook stove, those days are gone forever. Not only do you wash your hair as a matter of cleanliness and grooming but as a health precaution as well. Skin specialists have traced many complexion ailments to oily, germ-laden, unclean scalps. Now even twice-monthly hair washings are no longer considered sufficient for a shining head of hair. You must shampoo your hair every week or ten days to insure its health and beauty.

To make this matter of shampooing much easier and more thorough, there are a number of good shampoos on the market with penetrating lathers and cleansing properties. There are bland olive castile soap liquids for the dry or temperamental hair that soften and cleanse.

There are stronger preparations containing pine tar or other antiseptic ingredients for the over-oily scalp or the one troubled with dandruff. There are soapless oils that lather beautifully and rinse away completely, leaving your hair



Basically, most dresses now are built on the flared skirt with form-fitted top, skirts being gored, double-tiered or bordered. This parrot green heavy crepe dress has a double row of buttons marking the centre panel of the princess seams.



Clean-smelling, eau de Cologne added to the rinse water after a shampoo not only leaves the hair delicately fragrant but hastens the drying time after the waves and curls are set. If necessary to dampen the hair slightly while the curls are being arranged use a mixture of half water and half eau de Cologne.

shiny and bright, while other types of oil preparations leave a complete hot oil treatment and wash away cleaning preparation for your hair and in ten or fifteen minutes you can have a "crowning glory" to boast about.

From a charming French woman comes a hint to make your shampoo even more pleasant. If your hair is inclined to be a little oily, pour a few drops of fragrant eau de Cologne into the rinse water to act as a mild astringent for your scalp and to add a whiff of fragrance to every tone of your head.

Change the colour of your eau de Cologne with your moods. You might like the clean, sharp smell of unscented eau de Cologne or you might like the spicy, exotic odour of Spanish geraniums for parties or special occasions. Whenever you prefer, you will like the delicate fragrance of your hair, and you'll find it less likely to become untidy or hard to manage between shampoos.

Bland Soap for Dry Hair

Dry hair is another problem and must be treated differently. Use a bland soap or have hot oil treatment to start with, then after you have rinsed away as much of the soap as you can, try this trick. Fill your wash basin with tepid water and add to it a few drops of bath oil. There is an excellent English preparation for this purpose. The oil softens and scents the water and your hair will have a lovely sheen when your shampoo is complete.

Remove the excess moisture from your hair with warm towels and when your hair is only slightly damp, comb, brush and push into waves. This will be sufficient if your hair has a slight natural curl. If not, push the waves into place and roll the damp ends in little curlers. Or, if you have the patience and skill, form little flat round curls with your fingers and pin them in place like your hair-dresser does when you

Short Cuts

Velvet may be cleaned by rubbing magnesium into it. Shake well occasionally. When entirely gone over, brush well with a clean brush that is not too stiff.

Add sliced raw potatoes when rendering fat of any kind; it will make the fat white and clear.

Rice will not stick to the pan in which it is cooked if the pan is greased with butter beforehand. Some housewives prefer putting a piece of butter in the rice. Either method does the trick.

Beauty Tips

If you are an outdoor enthusiast and enjoy vigorous sports like riding or hiking, then see how pretty you will look with a suntan make-up. Use a rather dark tinted cream and powder. Your complexion will look warm and pretty when the wind whips up a natural blush.

To be beautiful in winter keep your circulation lively. Take stretching exercises every morning. Indulge in some outdoor sport even though it's nothing more than running with your dog. Don't have your indoor temperature too high.

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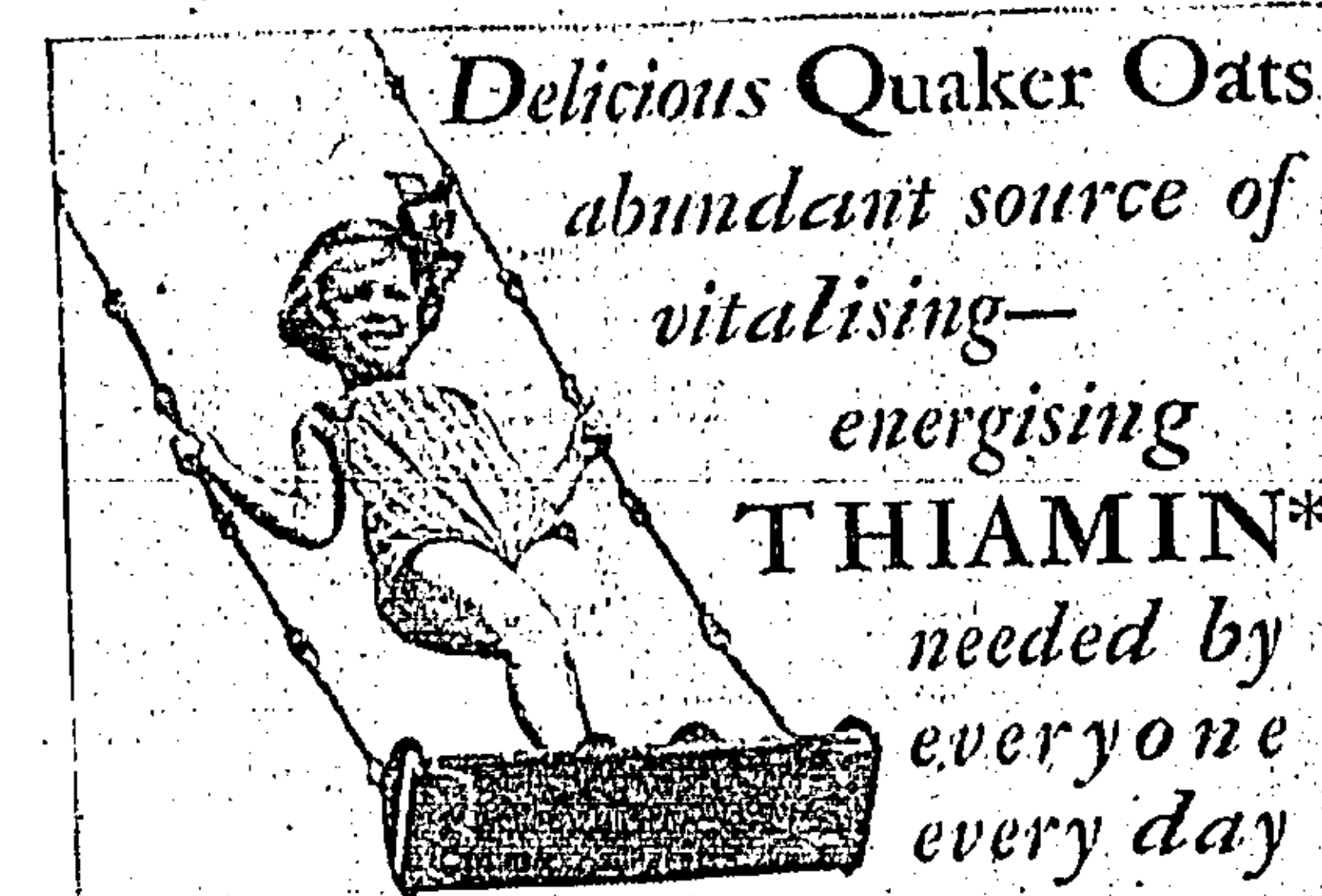
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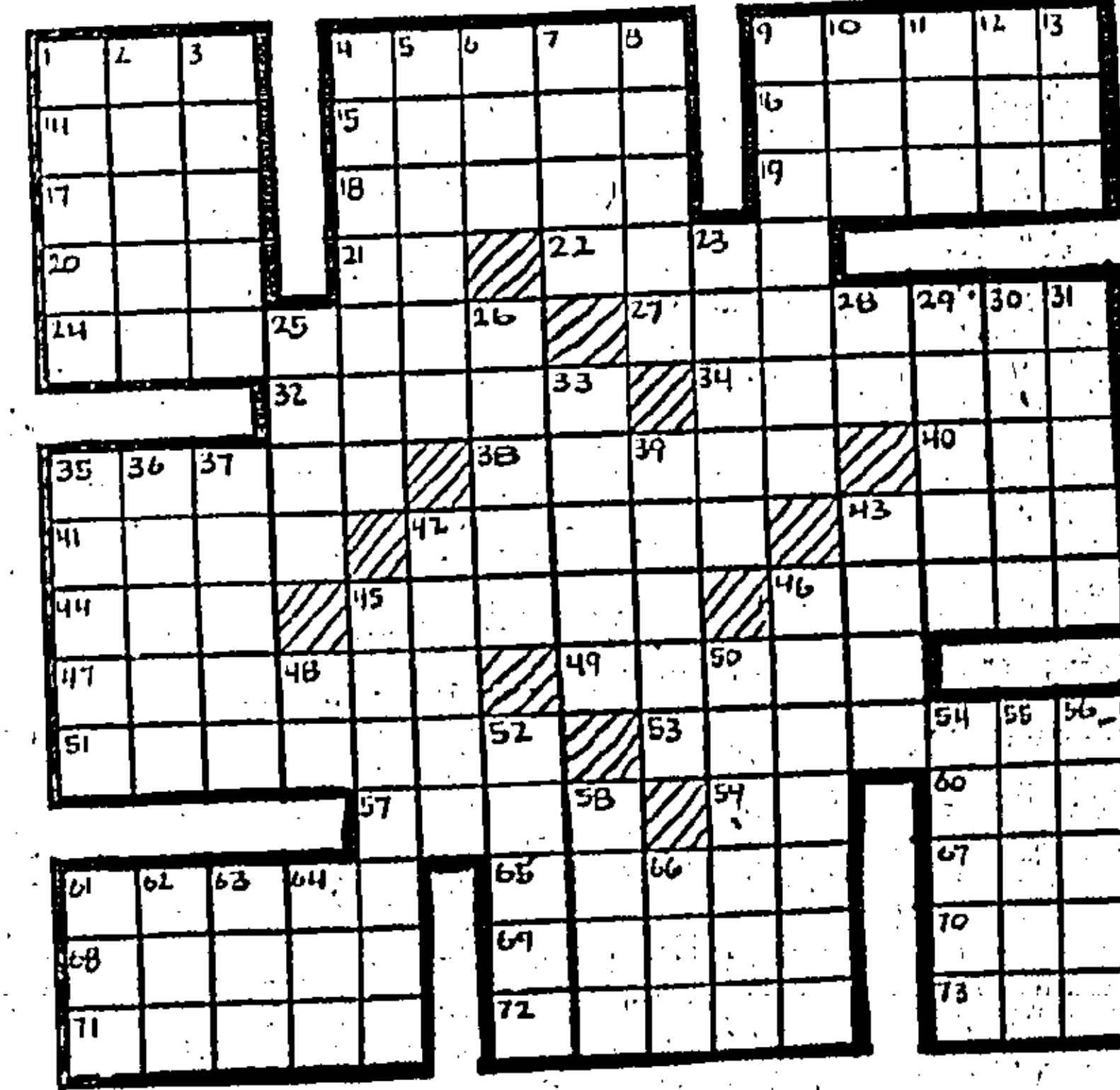


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- ACROSS
- 1—Date
 - 4—Under age
 - 9—Piercing-inducing substance
 - 14—Star's name
 - 15—Proverb
 - 16—Wear away
 - 17—Immoral deed
 - 18—Mature
 - 19—Verbal opera
 - 20—Asian
 - 21—Toward
 - 22—Learned
 - 23—Landscape
 - 24—Artist's stand
 - 25—Act of holding
 - 26—Slender animal
 - 27—Indian coin
 - 28—To the right
 - 29—Head costume
 - 30—Brain storehouse
 - 31—Pay attention
 - 32—Formerly
 - 33—Hard exterior
 - 34—Fatty
 - 35—Strife
 - 36—Given name
 - 37—Holding handle
 - 38—Paid back
 - 39—Tense
 - 40—Pronoun
 - 41—Tresses
 - 42—Cave
 - 43—Royal
 - 44—Illuminated
- DOWN
- 1—Military
 - 2—Feeble-mindedness
 - 3—Pointed arch
 - 4—Referring to signers
 - 5—Empire
 - 6—Morale
 - 7—French coin
 - 8—Mourning robes
 - 9—Open fabric
 - 10—Dialer's tool
 - 11—To the limit
 - 12—Give out cards
 - 13—Writing tool
 - 14—Put into difficulty
 - 15—Giddy
 - 16—Makes drowsy
 - 17—Modern holy place
 - 18—Musical instrument
 - 19—Disorderly enthusiasm
 - 20—Felt
 - 21—Nagging woman
 - 22—Liberator
 - 23—Come to rest
 - 24—One who tests
 - 25—Symbol; taniism
 - 26—Rebuke
 - 27—Mourning song
 - 28—Bird's claw
 - 29—Mouth's letter
 - 30—Fold back
 - 31—Drive away
 - 32—Loose
 - 33—Unclose
 - 34—Medieval fish
 - 35—Roman idyl



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The U.S. War Department has ordered the evacuation of American troops from the Mysang district in the island of Mindanao, despite the fact that the peaceful community is threatened with extinction by Alipang and his dreaded Moro bandits.

Four men are ordered to Mysang to assist Colonel Hatch in training the Philippines Constabulary, which is to keep order in the district after the withdrawal of the troops. Soon after their arrival Colonel Hatch is murdered by a Moro and Manning takes charge. But Manning, too, is killed, leaving only Hartley, a strict disciplinarian, Larsen, McCool and Canavan, the doctor, to hold out against the thousands of Moros. The Moros dam the water supply, as a result of which cholera breaks out.

THE disease spread like wildfire.

Every available cot was set up in the hospital, and when that was full they used the church. Stretchers passed through the streets hourly, bearing the stricken, carrying out the dead.

Canavan gave the orders: no raw fruit or uncooked vegetables. No more boats to unload their cargoes at the dock. No more water from the well.

He went to Hartley: "We've got to have water. The whole village is polluted. You've got to send someone to dynamite the dam!"

Hartley protested—the jungle would be sure death to anybody.

"It's sure death here unless we get water," Canavan snapped.

Struggling against overwhelming odds Canavan tried to bring the disease under control.

The Spanish well was covered and a guard posted night and day with orders to shoot down anyone attempting to get water.

The flames of the lime kiln illuminated the night; great bonfires in the street were continually fed by contaminated clothing and household articles—the leaping, fantastic shadows seemed like the form of death itself, unleashed.

Hartley knew Canavan was right. He called Larsen, gave him a squad of eight men and orders to dynamite the dam. Miguel went with him to show him the way. When he shook hands with Canavan and McCool his honest face was beaming with delight: "Oh, boy! What orchids I'm going to get in that jungle!"

"Hope it won't be lilies," McCool muttered as they watched him disappear into the jungle.



THE fight against disease went on. The river bed stretched out under the pitiless sun, cracked and gray as the dry skin of a snake. No water flowed, and Larsen did not return.

The padre passed from house to house administering extreme unction and comforting the bereaved.

Linda haunted the hospital and the streets, overwhelmed by the catastrophe. Canavan making his ceaseless rounds seemed hardly to see her. At last she stood squarely in his path, her face pale and strained, her hands clasped tightly together. "I want to help," she said.

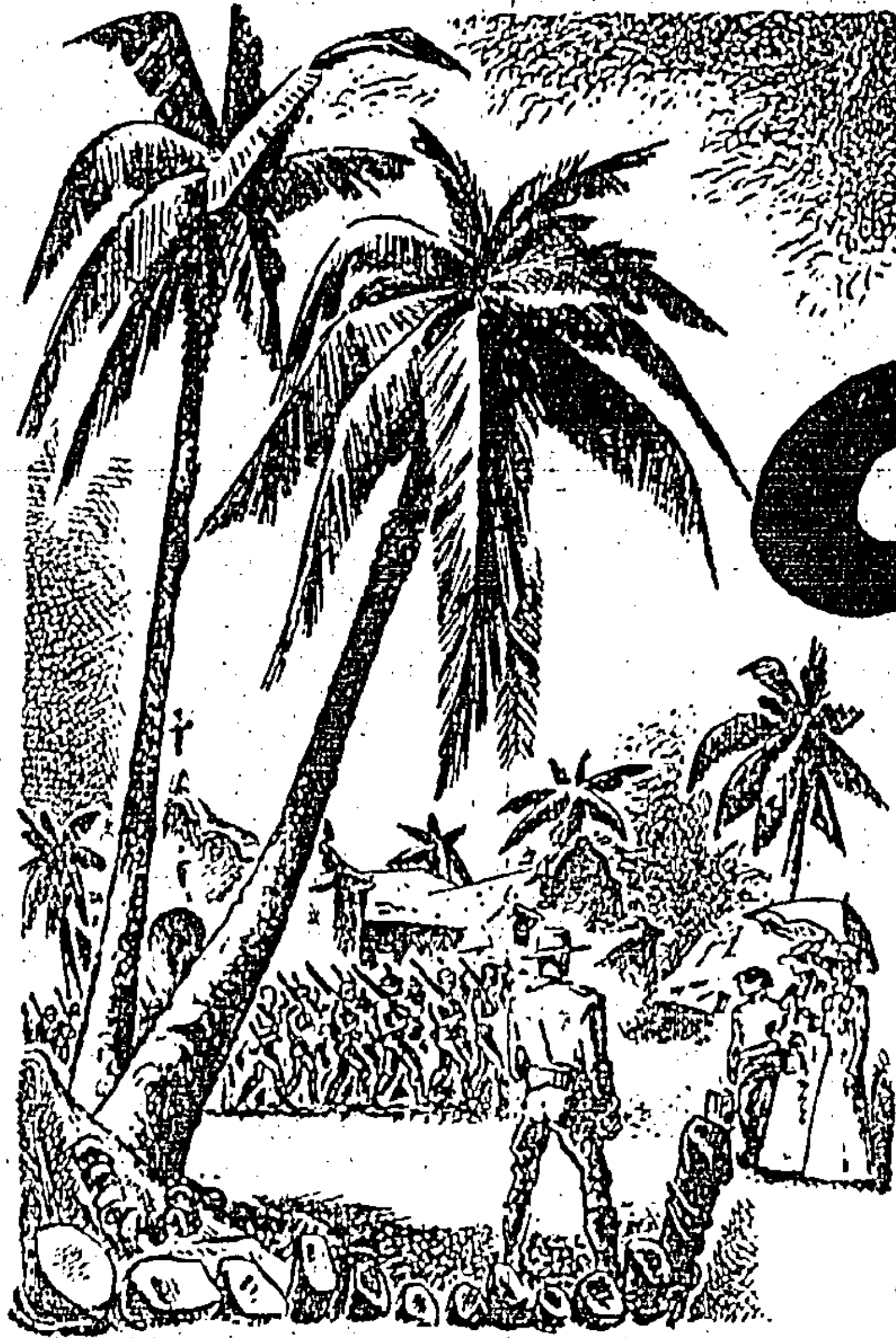
"This isn't your kind of soldiering, Linda," he said wearily. "It's just filth and slime and work that'll make you sick to your stomach."

"Tell me what to do."

In his tired mind he suddenly saw her, at six, in a Top Sergeant's uniform; his long sensitive lips relaxed in just the ghost of a smile. "See that lime over there? Make a saturated solution, and wash every dish in every house in Mysang."

"Yes, sir," Linda answered—and for a fleeting second he imagined she was going to salute.

One night Yabo walked into Canavan's office with a dozen grim looking soldiers behind him. "Captain," he said, "we watch our women and children die. . . . Alipang—he do this to us, and stay safe in the jungle. We no longer afraid of enemy who do this coward thing—we want to fight, we are ready."



march! He took them to Hartley. But Hartley was as implacable as ever. As long as he was in command, the War Department orders would be obeyed! He reminded Canavan of a sick head-bull, defying the moment when his leadership would be wrested from him.

Revolt was in the air. It was a churning under the sick apathy of the plague-ridden town. You could see it in the dark faces of the soldiers watching their women die. McCool felt the need to fight rising in him like a fever. He faced Hartley across his desk, some stupendous effort of control making him sway on his feet and clench his fists at his side.

"Shouldn't someone go and see what happened to Larsen, Captain?" he said in a tense voice.

"Sorry, McCool, I can't spare any more men. Suppose there was an attack on the post?"

"I wish to God there was—so does everybody else. We're all so nervous we're jumping at shadows!" McCool leaned over the desk, his eyes burning with a feverish light. "If you don't send me to look for Larsen, sir—I'm going myself—with or without orders."

"McCool! You're sick. The Irishman rushed out without answering. Just at the door he staggered slightly. Canavan found him a few minutes later, face down on the floor of his bedroom, his cartridge belt hooked around his waist.

WHEN Hartley got the report of McCool's collapse he seemed to take it like a death blow.

Canavan had got McCool into bed with Linda's help, and when she had fallen into an exhausted sleep sitting by his side, Canavan had carried her to her own quarters in his arms.

Hartley was waiting for him in the shadows of the veranda when he came out. He came uncertainly across the porch. "Linda all right?" he asked vaguely.

"Just exhausted from forty-eight hour duty," Canavan said briefly. "Sit down, Canavan. I want to talk to you."

"I'm pretty busy."

HARTLEY put a hand on his arm. Canavan noticed again the heavy immobility of the man, like a strong animal stalked to the ground.

"Canavan," he said without further preliminaries, "I'm going blind." So that was it! "That bolo cut the nerve centre. Hatch knew—he ordered me home to the base hospital, but I tore up the report after he was killed. I wanted to die in harness. The army is my life."

The blundering, lonely pride of the man tore at Bill's heart. He couldn't help feeling sorry for him, but it was a nice mess. "I had to tell you," the hopeless voice went on. "Larsen's gone. McCool's sick. You're the only one left. We've got to send for the army."

Canavan rose as though he would do hand to hand battle with Hartley's despair. "Maybe you can wait that long, but the cholera can't. We don't need the army—we need running water."

A figure detached itself from the shadows at the foot of the steps—the white-like body of the Datu in his gaudy coat and tight striped trousers—a strange, almost carnival figure in this setting of death and sorrow and with the carnival number's mask carved in lines of exaggerated good fellowship, which somehow convey a latent dreadfulness. Canavan didn't like the man.

It is true, the Datu was saying in measured tones, "the people die unless the river runs again."

A slight urgency came into his voice and he leaned forward addressing the bowed figure of Hartley. "Give me men, Tuan, and I will lead them myself to the river head to break up the dam."

Long afterwards, Canavan remembered the expression in his small eyes—the diabolical intensity. He got no further, for down the street two soldiers moved slowly, a limp body between them, calling for the doctor. The slim outlines of the body they carried made Canavan leap down the steps and across to them in two strides.

"Miguel!" The closed eyes fluttered. "Teniente." Canavan leaned over him. "What happened?"

"Miguel struggled for words. 'Ambush—killed—everybody.' He lapsed into unconsciousness. As Canavan took him in his arms, he was conscious of the Datu peering intently into the boy's face.

Miguel was tough. Canavan thought he could patch him up, but for some reason he didn't say so, in answer to the Datu's inquiring stare.

Something troubled Miguel the next morning as he tossed restlessly to and fro on his narrow hospital cot. He mumbled and muttered ceaselessly as he came out of the anaesthetic.

Canavan caught the word "Datu" several times, then the boy would lapse into unconsciousness. Canavan leaned forward, tensely. "Come on, Mike—what about the Datu? Try to remember."

At the sound of the name, Mike opened his eyes wide in sudden terror, and grabbed Bill's arm. "The Datu—he with Alipang's men in ambush—he kill Larsen."

CANAVAN raced back to Hartley's quarters, but he was no longer on the porch or in his bedroom. He rushed across the parade ground to headquarters, but every window was dark. In the guardhouse he grabbed a Sergeant. "Where's Captain Hartley?"

The Sergeant saluted. "He leave half hour ago for jungle with company of men."

"The Datu, was he with him?"

"Si, Teniente. He go along."

The river wound and turned indifferently up into the hills. Canavan thrashed through the vegetation, trying to find a trail.

He had taken the long chance of getting to Hartley and his men before they were betrayed into ambush by the treacherous Datu. He had led the sick McCool in charge in the village—when McCool, heard there was nobody else, through the fog of his fever, he raised his hand from his pillow and slurred weakly: "An order—an order, sir," and by the time Canavan had on his cartridge belt, the Irishman was reaching for his shoot.

He had left the sleeping Linda with a kiss. That was the hardest thing to do. Fighting the cholera side by side, he had learned the stuff she was made of, and he knew when he went back home to hang out his shingle she must be by his side. // and when . . . he amended his thought as he gazed around him at the trackless, forbidding jungle. There was no sign of Hartley or even that he had passed this way. Evidently the Datu was leading him far off any track a searching party would follow, to the waiting ambush. Poor half-blind Hartley would have to rely implicitly on his leadership, never suspect the duplicity until he walked straight into the trap.

Canavan reached a clearing along the edge of the river. Above him two buzzards circled heavily up from behind a boulder of rock.

On the other side he found strewn up the hillside like clues in a treasure hunt, cartridge belts, tin plates and forks, a soldier's hat, a battered harmonica, and finally, near some shrubbery, a knapsack with several bottles of unopened beer.

The bodies of the soldiers were further up where they had fought off the surprise attack, their backs to the river.

Suddenly Canavan stopped rigid with horror. Under a flat-branched tree, spreading itself with the utilitarian precision of an umbrella, was a pale head sprouting like a giant mushroom from the sod.

Almost unrecognisable under the mask of tortured dying, and thick with honey, were the simple child-like features of Larsen.

Canavan's mouth went down in a thin hard line which, for a moment, was not steady.

Then he leaned over, took a bottle of beer from Larsen's case and cracked it open against the rock beside him.

With eyes level on the face of his friend, he drank a silent toast that was also a pledge. Then he cranked the empty bottle against the rock.

Canavan began to climb again along the river bank. His eyes caught sight of the snake-like movement of men moving in single file on a high rocky escarpment to his right. He veered off in that direction, clambering frantically up the steep rough grade, away from the river. Sometimes he would lose sight of the slowly winding column, then it would reappear quite sharply against the sky.

At last he was running parallel to it as it wound into an isolated gully. He saw the Datu pacing quickly in the lead, his eyes shifting from side to side. He saw him when the groping Hartley, stumbling and tripping behind him, asked him a sharp and anxious question.

Evidently Hartley had begun to question the circuitous way they were going to the river head. Helpless in his growing blindness, Canavan could see his hands fluttering out in a futile instinctive effort to sense his position. Yabo was behind him, his face drawn with worry.

And behind him were the three Moro cargadores, carrying the dynamite boxes on their backs; one of them Canavan recognised as the Jaramendado he had captured from Alipang's camp. Quietly, he clambered abreast of the column, and jumped down from a boulder, directly in the Datu's path.

"Why do you lead the men this way, Datu, when the river head is there?" he asked, pointing in the direction from which he had come.

"Canavan!" Hartley called, as Canavan stopped abruptly in the path.

"That way dangerous," the Datu said sullenly.

"Yes, I know—I just got a look at Larsen. And I know who ambushed him."

LIKE lightning the Datu's kris was out and swung through the air, but Canavan was a quicker with his gun, and it clattered to the ground as the Moro caught at his wounded wrist.

A screaming Moro command galloped the cargadores standing behind Yabo.

Yelling, they rushed up the side of the gully and started running for the edge of the escarpment.

The one in the lead, without a moment's hesitation, flung himself over the edge of the cliff, and the second one followed, lifting both feet off the ground in a wild suicidal leap.

The fanatical screams of "Allah!" were swallowed up in a terrific explosion, as the dynamite boxes crashed on the rocks below.

The third cargadore reeled backwards as a bullet from Canavan's pistol caught him in the back; his legs seemed paralyzed by the shot, but with his hands he clawed his way to the edge of the cliff. Canavan grabbed the dynamite box just as he somersaulted with a wild scream into the abyss.

When Canavan turned with the box of dynamite, Hartley was standing apparently stunned by the explosion. As Canavan came toward him he realised the concussion had left him stone blind.

"It's all right," he said quickly to the unseeing face, "the Datu was leading you into an ambush. I have the dynamite—enough. Yabo!"

"Yes, sir."

Canavan was opening the dynamite case and stuffing his pockets with sticks. "Stay close Captain Hartley and see that his orders are obeyed. I'm going to the dam."

"Alone?" Hartley asked, turning in the direction of his voice.

"No, I'll take my pal the Datu—as a shield and guide. Wait for me here."

The bound Datu seemed reluctant to follow the path to the riverhead. Canavan was alert for ambush. Under an arch of knarled and twisted banyans the Moro stopped, sullen and scowling.

"Get on, my friend—" Canavan gave him a push. With a scream he stumbled forward and the earth collapsed under his feet. Face down in a deep pit, Canavan saw the body of the Datu transfixed by a dozen spears.

Hartley, waiting in the gully, could hear the roar of the dynamite charge, and then the faint stender roar of the waters rushing into the dry bed of the river and down the mountainside.

When Canavan rejoined Hartley he was unusually grave. "I circled Alipang's campground and there was not a Moro in sight. We've played right into Alipang's hands. All the time we've been marching Alipang and his men—He did not finish the sentence. "We've got to get back fast."

Behind the wall of his blindness, Hartley's mind was working doubly quick. "Yabo," he shouted, "get your men cutting bamboo. I want rafts. Enough rafts to carry the whole troop—we'll go by the river."

TO-MORROW THE ATTACK

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Contraband Control Got Their Man

LONDON, Jan. 25 (Reuters).—A veteran Norwegian skipper, who boasted that he had slipped through the contraband control in the last war a dozen times, is now in a British port—a tribute to the effectiveness of the British control this time.

His ship was brought in by the contraband control assisted by a sea-plane which spotted his vessel near the Arctic and which wirelessed a patrol ship ahead to bring him in. The captain acknowledges in good spirit that he has been fairly and squarely treated.

Effect Of Hinted U.S. Navy Cuts

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25 (Reuters).—The Naval authorities announce that by limiting the financial authorisations recently granted under the Naval Expansion Programme to vessels which the Navy could build in two years, the sum of \$200,000,000 could be cut from the proposed \$800,000,000 Expansion Bill.



Concessions By Soviets

In Return For Nazi Military Aid

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—PARIS, Jan. 25 (UP).—Press reports confirm that Russia has made important economic concessions to Germany, even involving mineral rights in Northern Russia, in exchange for a Nazi promise of general staff consultations in regard to Finland and the Balkans.

It is stated that consultations will be held this month in Moscow to discuss Nazi-Soviet collaboration in the face of the increased resistance of neutrals.

Russia has informed Germany that it is necessary for reasons of prestige that Russia conclude the campaign in Finland before attacking in any joint single operations in the Balkans or elsewhere.

The agreement resulted in German troops occupying the corridor of Polish Galicia on Monday.

Embarrassed Silence

Is Japan's Reaction To Wang's "Peace"

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"—NEW YORK, Jan. 25 (UP).—"Embarrassed silence has been Tokyo's only reaction to the peace terms reported to have been signed by Mr. Wang Ching-wei," says the New York Times.

"Mr. Wang's pro-Japanese friends in Shanghai explain the gentleman's agreement as 'unofficial,' with the approval of the Japanese Army."

"At a moment when Japan's civilian leaders want to rebuild friendship with the United States, these 'terms' remind us of the mentality of Japan's military commanders. The absence of a Tokyo denial suggests that the Army still controls the Government's policy."

MORE MEN BEING CALLED UP

LONDON, Jan. 25 (Reuters).—The next batch of men to be called up for military service must register on February 17.

The order applies to men over 23 years of age but not yet 24, and those who have reached 20 since the last batch was called up.

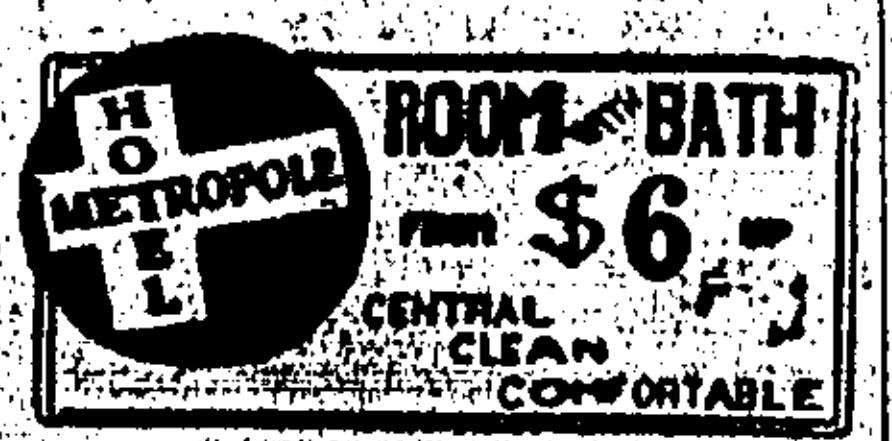
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STALIN WOULD LIKE TO FORGET TANNENBERG

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He sent out his orders on a portable wireless in a code so elementary that they were promptly read and received in Hindenburg's camp even before they got to the Russians for whom they were intended.

Even if the Germans had merely played at fighting, the Russians would have lost Tannenberg. And for a long time the Germans did show all those signs of hesitation and doubt that nearly 1,000 miles away were losing them the battle of the Marne.

When the Germans finally did get to work they were faced not by an army but by a rabble—and a retreating rabble at that. With the exception of the XVth Corps, which fought nobly and well, the Russian forces had crumbled.

After desperate efforts to collect themselves and to escape from the marshes and forests, the Russians began to surrender in thousands. As prisoners, they at least hoped for a crust of bread, and even a little drinkable water.

By August 29, 1914, the whole pitiable affair was all over. At least 125,000 Russians were taken prisoner, and the Germans claimed 500 guns and immense supplies; but no food.

The story of Finland's earlier fight against the invading Soviet army is a fine one. It has never been well told, for the world was just a little tired of fighting in 1920 and war correspondents had exhausted their talents.

But a race that had only been a nation two years fought—and won.

Hindenburg's body at Tannenberg lies close by the huge German war memorial, which consists of eight towers 66ft. high, with an altar from which rises a huge sword.

Over the coffin of the dead soldier, Hitler pronounced a funeral oration five years ago. Said the man whose words have such weight with the German people: "Not for a century now will it be necessary for Germany again to defend her honour."

And Samsonov? Where is he buried?

On the night of August 28 he was on horseback, vainly trying to ride forward through the mass of his soldiers, stumbling backwards. He dismounted, walked into a wood. His staff heard a shot.

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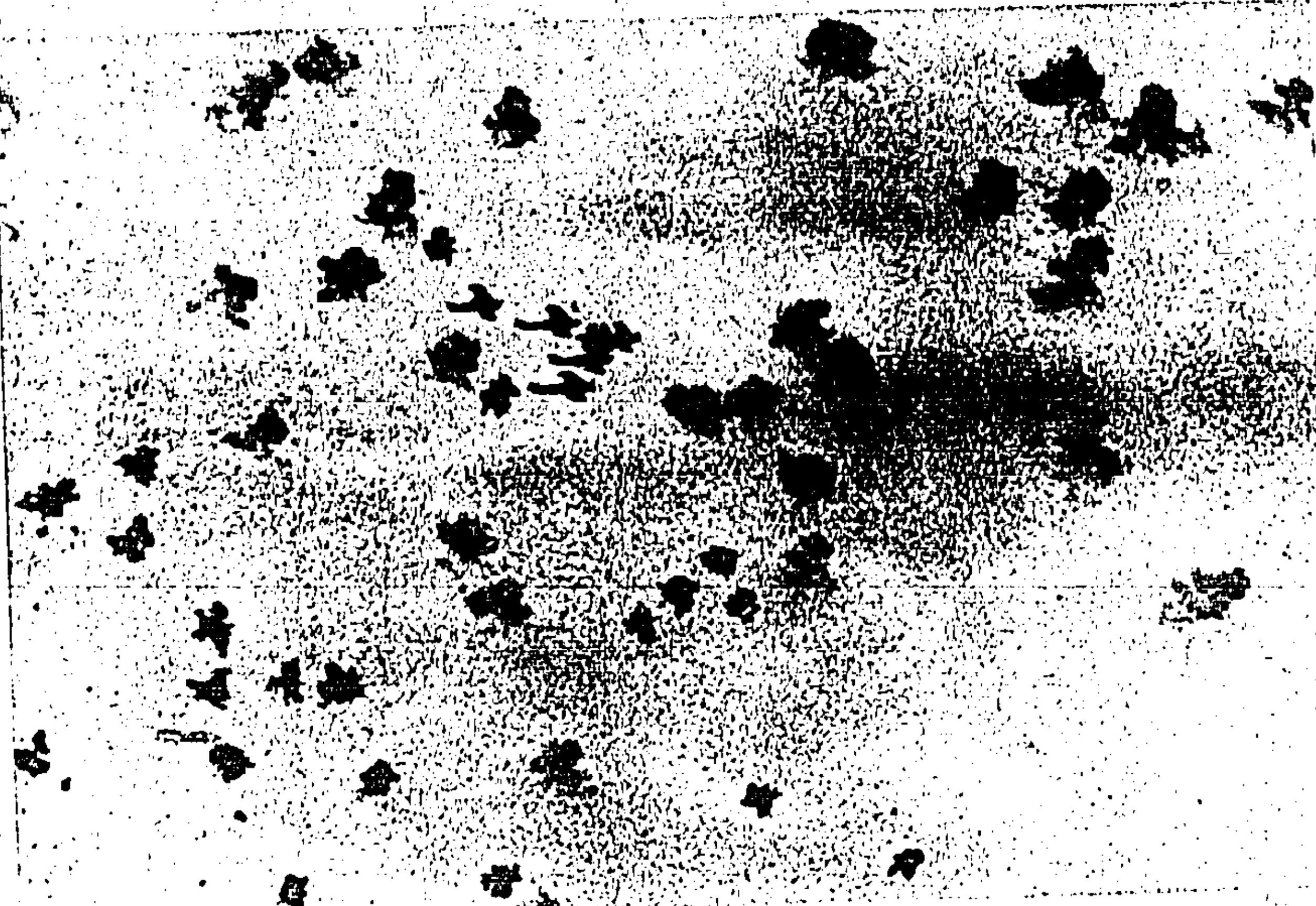
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ANOTHER AMAZING WAR PICTURE



THIS REMARKABLE PHOTOGRAPH, which was printed in yesterday's Final Edition of the "Telegraph" shows French anti-aircraft shrapnel bursting around a flight of German planes engaged in a reconnaissance flight over France. Although the caption does not say what happened to the German formation, it is extremely improbable that the Nazi machines would succeed in passing through the astonishing barrage of death shown here.—Domei Photo.

NAZIS ENCOURAGING PEACE PROPAGANDA

London. The reports that the Vatican will support the "peace move" which is alleged to be imminent should be received with the greatest scepticism. There is no evidence at all that the Vatican considers the time ripe for mediatory action of any sort.

The only peace that could come about if negotiated now would be one that would leave the armed might of Germany intact. It would therefore mean a German victory.

Even if Germany were willing to concede to Poles and Czechs a certain measure of independence she would still be the real master of the countries she has occupied.

A peace based on an apparent compromise between German and Allied war aims, therefore, would also mean a German victory—and one that would hold no guarantee against a resumption of hostilities and of further German conquests.

Fascist Wishes

The view taken by the Italian authorities with regard to mediation is rather different from that taken in the Vatican City. The leading Fascists certainly do not desire a downright German victory. On the other hand, a "settlement" which would leave Poland, Bohemia-Moravia, and perhaps Austria with even a limited independence might give Italy opportunities of regaining an influence in Eastern and Central Europe.

A peace based on a compromise between Allied and German war aims is not regarded as wholly objectionable in Rome. There is no reason to suppose that a "peace move" is being planned in Rome, but the possibility should not be ruled out altogether.

Observing Effect

Some at least of the reports relating to an impending "peace move" are being spread by Germany. German industrialists and others who pass as moderates convey these reports to neutral countries.

KING TO GIVE BIBLES TO FIGHTING SERVICES

LONDON.—Thirty thousand Bibles and New Testaments, each containing a message from King George VI, are to be produced for the defence services, it was announced recently.

The message from the King states:

"To all serving in my forces by sea or land or in the air and indeed to all my people engaged in the defence of the realm I commend the reading of this book. For centuries the Bible has been a wholesome and strengthening influence in our national life, and it behoves us in these momentous days to turn with renewed faith to this divine source of comfort and inspiration."

The bibles are being printed with covers of three different colours—khaki for the soldiers, light blue for the Air Force, and dark blue for the Navy.

LATE NEWS

Their purpose is to observe the effect of these reports and to strengthen the "peace movement" which the Germans believe to exist in this country and in France. The existence of a "peace movement" anywhere is regarded as a weakness by the German leaders and therefore as something that must be encouraged in hostile countries. This they are doing by spreading the impression that Germany might be willing to talk of peace.

There is no indication at all that Germany is willing to consider any peace that would not leave her the indisputable victor in the war.

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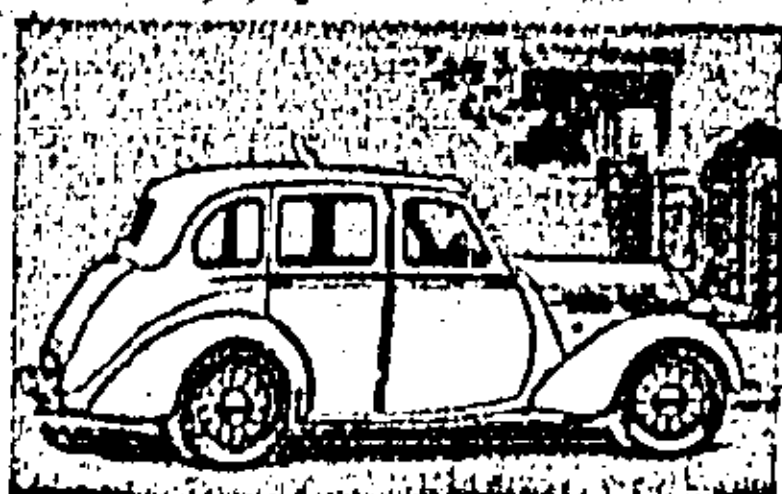
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Japanese Hysteria At Asama Maru Incident:
Dark Hints By Naval Spokesman.

NAVY ESCORT FOR N.Y.K. LINERS?

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TOKYO, Jan. 25 (UP).—THE NAVY SPOKESMAN, REAR-ADMIRAL KANAZAWA, STATED TO-DAY THAT THE NAVY WAS MAKING PREPARATIONS TO PREVENT A RECURRENCE OF THE ASAMA MARU INCIDENT IN FUTURE. IT WAS PREMATURE TO REVEAL THE NATURE OF THE PREPARATIONS PENDING DIPLOMATIC NEGOTIATIONS.

"The question at issue is not the 21 Germans, but the fact that the affair occurred at the front gate of the Japanese Empire," he said.

SPOKESMAN'S VIEWS

TOKYO, Jan. 25 (Reuter).—The stopping of the Asama Maru by a British cruiser on January 21 and the removal of 21 Germans from the vessel came up for discussion at this morning's Press conference.

The spokesman of the Ministry of Navy, in upholding the Japanese view that the Asama Maru incident was a violation of international law, stressed that in any case Japanese national feelings were more important than questions of law.

He said it was very regrettable that the British Navy took action calculated to injure the prestige of the Japanese Navy at the very entrance to the Japanese capital.

He criticised the discourtesy of the British warship and British Captain in not disclosing their identities.

CAPTAIN WATANABE REPLACED

The spokesman added that the Captain of the Asama

MAJOR ISSUE?

More Demonstrations
Outside Embassy

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TOKYO, Jan. 26 (UP).—Fears that the Asama Maru incident would become a major political issue in Japan were heightened to-day, when the General Committee of the reformist faction of the Seiyukai, the second largest political party, advocated the summoning of a special session of the Diet to discuss the "deliberate British affront to Japan's national prestige."

Decision has been withheld, pending consultation with other political groups.

It is hoped by the reformist faction that all parties will join in making the demand for convocation of the Diet unanimous.

Embassy Demonstrations
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TOKYO, Jan. 26 (Domei).—Resolutions, protests and demonstrations continue to be directed to the British Embassy.

Members of the Tokyo Municipal Assembly, which led the anti-British campaign last summer, have adopted resolutions denouncing Great Britain for "trespassing on the rights of a neutral nation."

The resolution urges the Japanese Government to retaliate against the "practical action of the British Navy" by exercising her rights as a belligerent in China.

The members of the Assembly presented a copy of the resolution to the British Embassy.

Another demonstration was staged outside the Embassy by the Japan Youth's Party, which presented a written resolution demanding the immediate release of the 21 Germans captured aboard the Asama Maru, and demanding apologies from the British Government and the withdrawal of all British warships from waters near Japan.

Another protest was lodged by representatives of the New Asia Youth Movement.

Maru has been retired for unseamanlike behaviour in not refusing to surrender the Germans.

As a parallel to the Anglo-Japanese diplomatic negotiations he revealed that the Japanese Navy was making preparations to prevent a recurrence of such incidents in future.

In conclusion he expressed the hope that the British Government would give its policy full reconsideration.

Ambassador's Statement

"Judging from articles appearing in Japanese newspapers and from statements made by many Japanese visitors to this Embassy, I have gained the impression that there is much apprehension as to the actual point at issue in the Asama Maru case," said Sir Robert Craigie, British Ambassador to Tokyo, in a statement made here to-day.

"For instance there is much talk about the stopping of a Japanese ship constituting in itself an affront to Japan. I should like therefore to assure my Japanese friends that the very last thing that Britain wishes to do is to take action derogatory to Japan's feelings."

Sir Robert Craigie continuing, vindicated the rights exercised by the British warship against the Asama Maru.

The Real Issue

Referring to other cases of belligerent rights by German warships against neutral ships from which a British national was removed, Sir Robert went on to say: "It will be seen that the only question really at issue between Britain and Japan is whether under International Law Germans of military age returning to their country under orders and at the expense of the German Government and destined for service in the armed forces may be removed from neutral ships or whether such action must be confined to nationals only actually serving in German armed forces."

"That is a question surely that can be settled between our two governments in a calm atmosphere."

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WARSAW NOT TO BE REBUILT

Nazi Atrocities In
Poland Confirmed

LONDON, Jan. 25 (Reuter).—Confirmation of part of the Vatican City broadcasts of German atrocities in Poland is borne out by an account given to a neutral journalist in Berlin by one of two non-military people allowed to travel through the area since the war began.

He spoke of the widespread devastation and said that most crops were left untouched. Farms were abandoned because their owners had disappeared.

Compulsory Labour

In the hope of improving matters, the Nazis are enforcing compulsory labour on the Poles and Jews.

The attitude of the Poles is indicated in an article appearing in the official Nazi organ, "Volkische Beobachter" which in reporting that 53 bridges had been repaired by German troops, says that the workers were molested by Polish guerrillas who shot at them.

Workers repairing communications, continues the paper, must also fight the element of sabotage.

Many villages "had to be burnt down" because Polish snipers fired from them on German troops.

Warsaw, which was three quarters damaged in the siege, is not expected to be rebuilt.

U.S. Appointment

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt has nominated Mr. Louis Compton to be Assistant Secretary of the Navy in succession to Mr. Charles Edison, who was appointed Secretary of the Navy last month.

Mr. Compton was special assistant to Mr. Edison when the latter was Assistant Navy Secretary.

New Name For Nazi Pocket Battleship

BERLIN, Jan. 25 (Reuter).—The pocket battleship, Deutschland, is to have her name changed.

She was last heard of in November when racing for home with a British cruiser in hot pursuit after her and another warship which had helped her to sink the armed merchant cruiser, Rawalpindi.

The German High Command announced to-day that she will be renamed the Luetzow because the name Deutschland is to be reserved for a bigger ship.

The present Luetzow will also be renamed.

LOWLANDS READY TO DEFEND NEUTRALITY

Netherlands Makes Position Clear

AMSTERDAM, Jan. 25 (Reuter).—The determination of the Netherlands to adhere to strict neutrality was expressed in the First Chamber by the Foreign Minister to-day.

Whoever takes up arms against the Netherlands will be met by armed forces.

MILITARY PRECAUTIONS

Military precautions were necessary when foreign forces were near the frontier, and the country took these on all sides. He deplored the light-hearted way in which possible attacks on neutrals are discussed because this deadened moral values.

peace in his speech to Parliament to-day.

He warned the belligerents to respect Dutch neutrality and avoid harming Dutch trade and territorial integrity.

"They say the time for peace has not yet come, but what is the use of fighting if both sides fight an enemy they cannot destroy?" he asked.

The Netherlands government, he said, was convinced that its course was one of strict neutrality.

"It is up to us to remain out of the war."

"One thing is certain. Whoever takes up arms against us will meet our arms."

He summoned the Dutch people to endure sacrifices and increase their defensive strength and warned possible aggressors in Europe.

"As long as this nation is willing to give up everything for its integrity, its territory and its independence, no big power can allow itself to see our territory in the hands of others in Europe or Asia."

New Call For Peace

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

THE HAGUE, Jan. 25 (UP).—The Foreign Minister, Mr. van Kieften, sounded a new call for European

SWORD OF DAMOCLES

Now Poised Over
Japan's Head

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25 (Reuter).—Despite the trouble attendant on the Finnish loan and the difficulties with Britain, Washington is keeping the Far East well in mind.

The impression that the Administration means business seems to be confirmed by the comment in the "Washington Post" which, referring to the expiration to-morrow of the American-Japanese treaty of commerce says:

Opens New Chapter

"On January 26 a new and significant chapter in Japanese-American relations will be ushered in. For more than eight years, the Japanese have repeatedly manifested a complete disregard of American rights and interests in China."

"The State Department has protested against the long and humiliating series of unfriendly actions, but the protests have been wholly ineffective."

The newspaper goes on to point out that a way is now open for the stoppage of the supply of basic war materials to Japan in accordance with a widespread and popular demand.

Depends On Japan

It adds: "No one knows better than the Japanese how seriously they would be injured by legislative interference with trade. Whether retaliatory measures will be taken against Japan depends largely on Japan's conduct in the Far East. The sword of Damocles is obviously poised over Tokyo."

Works, Not Words

The expiration of the treaty is taken calmly here. The general atmosphere is one of calm.

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LATEST

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Further Late News

U.S. PLANE HOLD-UP

Saturation Point
In Production?

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25 (UP).—Because American manufacturers are unable to produce the required number of engines, the Allied Purchasing Committee may have to be satisfied with 8,000 American warplanes.

The Commission originally contemplated placing orders for 10,000 machines.

Mr. Henry Morgenthau, Secretary of the Treasury, reveals that production of aero engines in the United States is at present sufficient to meet only current domestic and foreign needs.

Factories may not be able to handle the heavy demands anticipated for the future, he said.

"Naturally, we are going to see that our own needs are taken care of first," he said.

See War-Torn Finland

British Labour Leaders
In Helsingfors

HELSINGFORS, Jan. 25 (Reuter).—The British delegation spent most of the day inspecting the devastation caused by bombs at Hangö.

Interviewed, Sir Walter Citrine said: "It seems certain from what I have seen that the Russian bombers have primarily concentrated on demoralising the civilian population."

"Not a single place that we saw which had been hit at Hangö was a military objective, but many places and workers' houses were destroyed completely."

Ineffective Bombing

"The bombing appeared to have been inefficiently done. The actual consequences in most cases were comparatively small."

"Our business is to discover the extent of Finland's needs and how far the need is being met. If we find that the need is greater than the aid which is being given, the Labour Movement will use the maximum of its public influence to see that the need is met."

"It must be remembered that Britain herself is at war and has pressing needs of her own."

Big Russian Offensive Dies Away: Arctic Attack

HELSINGFORS, Jan. 25 (Reuter).—A Finnish war communiqué states that in the Karelian Isthmus the situation is relatively quiet. Activity is limited to reconnaissance and harassing artillery fire.

North of Lake Ladoga, the enemy has continued attacks all day.

The most violent fighting occurred at Alttio. The attack was repelled with great losses to the enemy.

Last night the enemy began to attack at Kolhanki. The attack was continued during the night with brief intervals, and before daybreak, it was finally repulsed.

As in recent battles, the enemy again lost several hundred men.

In Lapland, the enemy attacked Finnish positions at Haerikajervi but were repulsed. At Petsamo the enemy attacked twice without result.

Owing to the snow, there was no aerial activity except some bombing attacks of little importance at Kuusamo and the archipelago, and Aaland Islands.

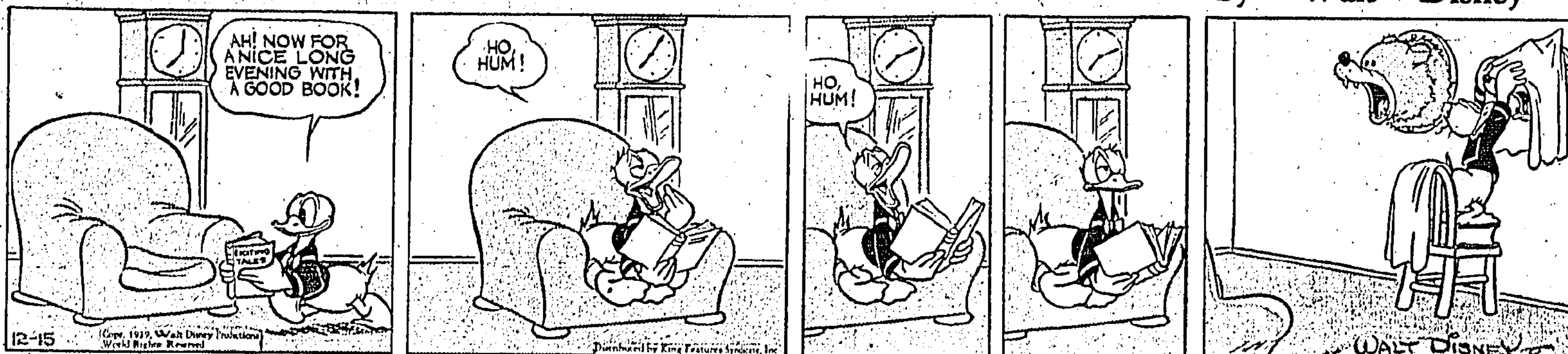
CANADA TO GO TO THE POLLS

OTTAWA, Jan. 25 (Reuter).—"An immediate appeal to the country" was announced by Lord Tweedsmuir, the Governor-General, in a speech from the Throne at the opening of Parliament.

The announcement, which came as a complete surprise, indicates a winter general election—a rare event in Canada.

The speech did not give any specific date for polling. The speech was probably one of the shortest and perhaps the most sensational on record.

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NEW ZEALANDERS ARE EAGER FOR SERVICE WITH EMPIRE'S FORCES

Ready to March in Step

AUCKLAND. There might be no war for all the disruption it has caused to everyday life in New Zealand. There are no black-outs, no gas-masks, no air-raid shelters. Nevertheless New Zealand is not taking its commitments lightly. Its people feel they are as deeply involved as their kinsmen in Britain, and they are prepared to go step by step with them in effort and sacrifice, although these must necessarily take different forms from those of people in the immediate theatre of war.

There is no hint of the feeling some predicted would be evident, that this is a European war and New Zealand can sit back in safety at the end of the world and let Europe fight it out. In the last war New Zealand existed no fewer than 124,000 men for overseas service from a population of about 1,000,000. That number will be exceeded with the large present-day population if necessary.

Eager For Service

The troops are eager to take an active part in the war. News that the division now undergoing training will go overseas and not remain on local guard duty has been received with enthusiasm by the men and has given an impetus to recruiting. There is similar eagerness to participate in the Empire air scheme. New Zealanders have been proved to make good pilots, and several have already distinguished themselves in the R.A.F. since war started. New Zealand had completed arrangements to train a large number of pilots annually for the R.A.F. shortly before the outbreak of war, so that she is well equipped to prepare pilots for the further training they will receive in Canada.

The Dominion will be able to play much larger part in supplying Britain with essential raw materials and food-stuffs than in the last war. Exports, particularly of dairy produce and meat have increased enormously since then, and to-day New Zealand is one of Britain's largest suppliers of such important commodities as meat, butter, cheese, and wool.

The Debit Side

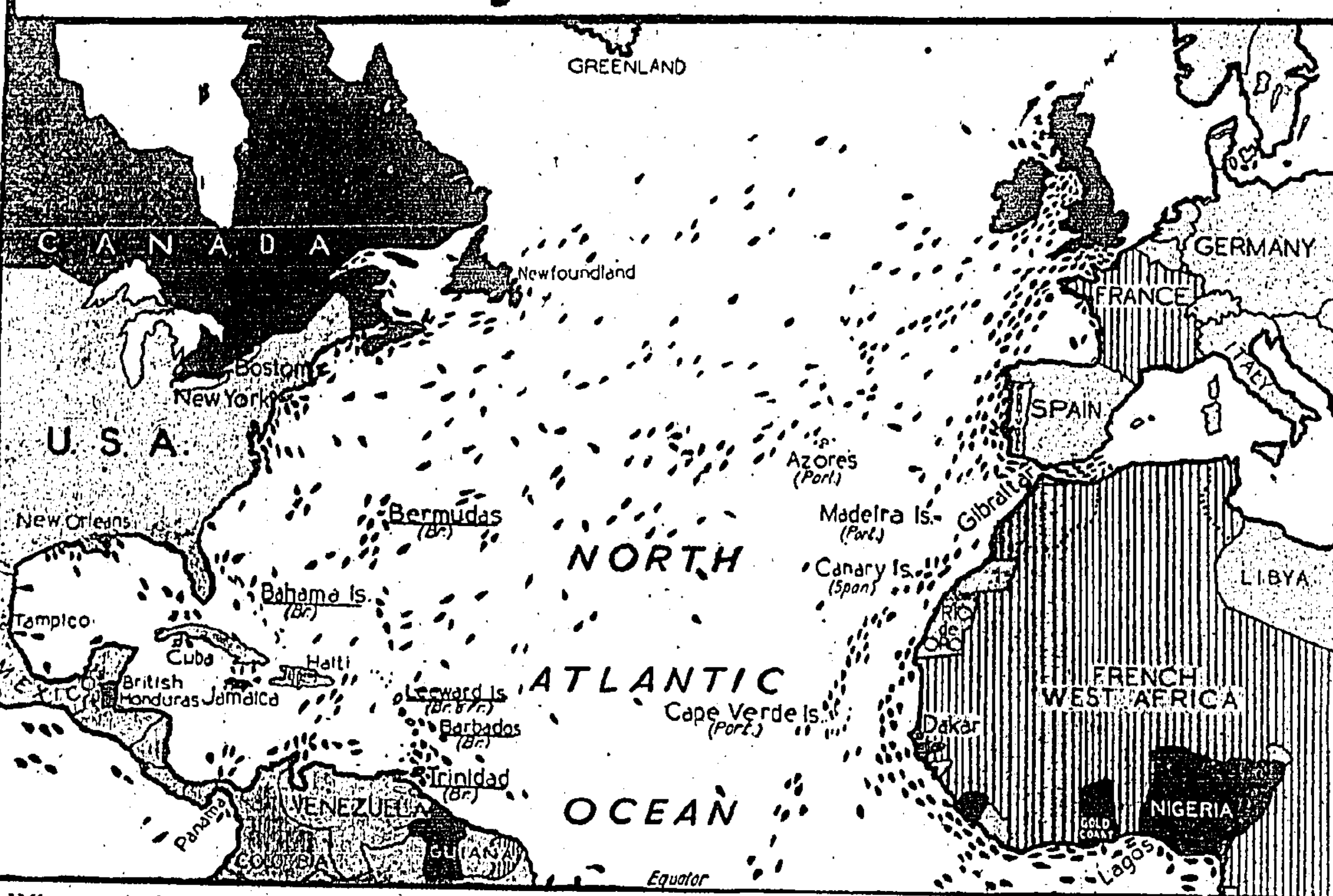
On the debit side New Zealand is bereft of sterling funds, which is likely to prove a handicap in financing troops and airmen abroad, and she is also in an unfavourable position with regard to supplies of imported goods as a result of the exchange shortage. The war has had very little effect on imports so far, but import restrictions have denuded the country of all reserve stocks, leaving little to fall back upon if shipments are interrupted.

The Government, however, within the limitations of difficulties—it must be confessed—of its own causing is making a sincere attempt to push New Zealand's war effort ahead, and in that it has the complete and unqualified support of every section of the community.

10,000 New Zealanders To Be Trained

Broadcasting on the Empire Air Scheme, the Minister of Defence, Mr. F. Jones, said that New Zealand had undertaken as a first objective to provide almost 10,000 men for training as pilots, observers, and gunners. New Zealand training resources would, he added, be used to the fullest extent, and personnel in ex-

British Navy Protects Them Now



When war broke out Britain had 18 1/2 million tons of merchant shipping afloat and with all the much-vaunted U-boat campaign we have lost less than 1 1/2 per cent. of that total. Map shows position and actual number of British ships over 3,000 tons in the North Atlantic on any average day just before the war. British Possessions shown in black; French territorially shaded. This map was prepared from an Admiralty chart.

Pro. Haldane On Limit Of Explosives

PROFESSOR J. B. S. HALDANE exploded some theories on explosives in a lecture at Birkbeck College, E.C. It was unlikely, he said, that a super explosive would be invented within a generation or two. There were theoretical reasons for believing that it was impossible to get much more energy into a given volume by chemical means than already exists in various explosives.

In The Boer War

"It is significant," he continued, "that there has been no fundamental advance in the design of explosives in the last 40 years. Explosives used in the Boer War are still in use to-day."

There was considerable lack of knowledge about elementary facts concerning the scientific technique of war. That ignorance was found not only among the general public but also among those members of our ruling class who were not immediately concerned with the problems. "Unfortunately as a result of that very grave error has been made."

The war would become much more scientific than it was now if both sides used to the fullest extent the destructive resources which science had put into their hands. The war would cease to be dominated by political considerations.

cess of local training capacity would complete courses in Canada. A greater proportion of pilots would have advanced training here, while gunners and observers would have only a ground course; but New Zealand could continue the training of gunners and observers till Canada was able to take them.

There were, Mr. Jones added, already 500 New Zealand airmen serving overseas, some who served in the Great War holding senior appointments. The New Zealand cost in the Canadian scheme would be £7,000,000 for a three-years term, and they were also meeting air costs in New Zealand, estimated at £12,700,000 during the next three years.

5,911 Ships Convoyed --Only 12 Lost

THE Navy have convoyed 5,911 ships during the war, and have lost only twelve to enemy action—either mine or submarine. This equals 0.2 per cent. of loss. On one convoy route alone 12,000,000 tons of shipping, worth 2,500,000,000 without the cargoes, have been escorted in sixteen weeks with an even smaller loss than 0.2 per cent.

Only one British steamer, the Box Hill, was lost last week, and one trawler was blown up by a mine becoming entangled in the trawl.

The French Navy have convoyed 1,080 vessels, with the loss of only two.

Alien Boys Resent Pay

LONDON.—Alien children, working from dawn to dusk to help Britain grow more food, take offence if they are offered money for what they are doing.

That is the spirit of Polish and German boy refugees brought to England by the Earl Baldwin Fund. They are giving their help to English farmers, and look on the work in the fields as their opportunity to serve the country which gave them haven.

Many of them are so earnest about it that they almost resent any farmer's attempt even to give them pocket-money.

Altogether, 180 boys and girls aged between 14 and 16, are housed in Gwyrch Castle, lent by the Earl of Dufferin, at Abergele, North Wales. There they live with 40 grown-ups who accompanied them on their flight.

As boys work in the fields, girls are busy in the farmhouses. Some of the boys work on the huge, over-grown estate which surrounds the castle, cutting up trees and bushes to make firewood to last them through the winter. The women are putting in order the huge rooms and passages of their new home, after its 20 years of disuse.

Lady Cynthia's 'burglar' enlists

LADY CYNTHIA COLVILLE, Lady-in-Waiting to Queen Mary, has led one of the underworld's most skilful burglars from crime to restitution.

EMPIRE AIR SCHEME

Squadrons To Retain Identity

One of the features of the agreement governing the Empire Air Training Scheme, which was signed in Ottawa on Sunday, is that squadrons manned by personnel from the Dominions will be identified by name with those Dominions when they move to the theatres of war. Another feature of great importance is that all pilots will go through the full syllabus of training as laid down by the Central Flying School. This will guarantee that nobody will be required to fight the enemy in the air until he has attained full competence.

Canada is the place on which the training centres; but training will also be done in Australia and New Zealand, with the result that modern types of aircraft will be in use in these countries. The interchange of men from the Dominions, large numbers of whom will come together in Canada for their final training, is likely still further to increase the cohesion of the Empire. Moreover, both Australia and New Zealand will be able to build up their air strength. The administration of the joint training programme in Canada will be in the hands of the Canadian Government. Canada has many advantages as an air training centre. There are plenty of aerodrome sites and the weather is good. When there is snow it can be made suitable for the operation of wheeled aircraft by ploughing and rolling. Ski landings are not infrequently needed. Only for about four weeks in the year, during the thaw, are the conditions such that they are likely

Recently Ernest X., whose personal life in Scotland Yard's Rogues' Gallery is one of the bulkiest, walked into his basement room in Shorelditch, and flung a newspaper on the ground.

"I'm going to join up," he said to his pale, drawn wife.

When Lady Cynthia first met Ernest he was all over the country. Regularly she dropped in to see him. She helped him to find a job as a labourer and he promised her he would never go back to crime again. He worked hard and long.

To-day Ernest is still a labourer, but he is working in danger to help the country in which he was once a pariah.

LAMBETH TALKS POSTPONED

NEW YORK (AP).—Announcement of postponement of the Lambeth Conference of Episcopal and Anglican Bishops was received by Presiding Bishop Henry St. George Tucker of the Episcopal Church.

The notification, from the Archbishop of Canterbury, said the conference was put off owing to the outbreak of war.

Coincident with the announcement, the Episcopal Church's Commission on Approaches to Unity issued a statement declaring it was "unanimous in believing that no such goal as organic union with the Presbyterians can be achieved in a short period of time. It will inevitably take many years."

to preclude flying training, and a meteorological study has shown that the balance is strongly in favour of Canada, as compared with Great Britain.

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1.03 Maria Ergerth (Soprano) and New Mayfair Orchestra.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Compositions of Grieg.—Sonata in C Minor, Op. 45, Sergei Rachmaninov (Piano) and Fritz Kreisler (Violin); Norwegian Dance in D Major, Op. 35, Gustave Cioez and L'Orchestre Philharmonique de Paris.

2.15 Close Down.

6.00 Compositions of Massenet.—Elegie, Georges Thill (Tenor) with Orchestra; Cello Solo by Krabinsky; "Thine—Meditation, Mischa Elman (Violin) with Piano accomp.; O Nature, Full Of Grace, Georges Thill (Tenor) with Orchestra; "Lo Cid" Ballet Music, New Symphony Orchestra cond. by Eugene Goossens.

6.27 Light French Songs by Tino Rossi and Lys Gauty.

6.45 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.47 Chopin—Andante Splanato and Grand Polonaise Brillante, Op. 22, Louis Kentner (Piano).

7.03 Compositions of Mendelssohn.—Scherzo (from "Quartet in E Minor," Op. 44, No. 2), Canonetta (from "Quartet in E Flat," Op. 12), Lerner String Quartet; Hear My Prayer, Choir of The Temple Church, London; Organist, C. Tinsley Ball; Soloist, Master E. Lough; "A Midsummer Night's Dream"—Overture, Berlin State Opera Orchestra cond. by Dr. Leo Blech.

7.30 London Relay—The News.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Mozart—Quintet in D Major.—Pro Arte Quartet with Alfred Hobday (2nd Viola).

8.25 Eric Coates—Four Ways Sulle.

—New Light Symphony Orchestra conducted by Joseph Lewis.

8.40 Studio—Recital by Helen Lockhart (Contralto) and E. O'Neill Shaw (Piano).—(a) Sweet Rose and Lily. ("Theodora"—Handel). (b) Silent Woods (Handel, arr. Somervell). (c) Sombre Woods (arr. Lully). (d) Morning Hymn (Hemmel). Helen Lockhart with Piano accomp. by E. O'Neill Shaw; Piano Solo—Selected, E. O'Neill Shaw; (a) A Birthday (Huntingdon Woodman). (b) The Waters of Minnetonka (Lounsbury). (c) My Ships (Barratt). Helen Lockhart with Piano accomp. by E. O'Neill Shaw.

9.05 Reginald Foort at the Organ.

9.15 London Relay—News Summary.

9.30 London Relay—"World Affairs."

9.45 Dance Music.

10.00 Studio—"The Beauty of England"—5: The Yorkshire Dales.—The fifth of a series of talks by the Very Rev. The Dean of Hongkong.

10.25 Variety with Mary Ellis, Billy Mayerl, Oliver Wakefield, Gertrude Lawrence, and Others.

11.00 Close Down.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary issued yesterday says: There is nothing in particular to record as a result of to-day's small trading.

Buyers	
H.K. Bank	\$1,360
H.K. Mines	3 cts
Lands	\$33 1/4
Star Ferries	\$87
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Docks	\$21.20
Tramways	\$17 1/4

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Tras Jolie Waltz.	
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Martha. Like a dream.	
E11165—A Liebestraum Fantasy	Patricia Rossborough.
Melody in F. (After Rubinstein)	Piano, with Orch.
E11201—To meet Lehar. (A potpourri of Lehar Melodies)	Grand Symphony Orch.
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E11100—Parade of the Tin Soldiers	Orchestre Mascotte.
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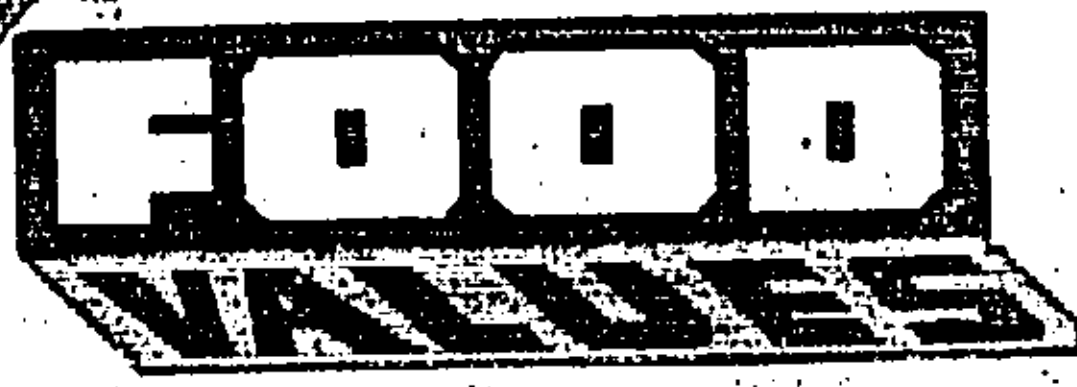
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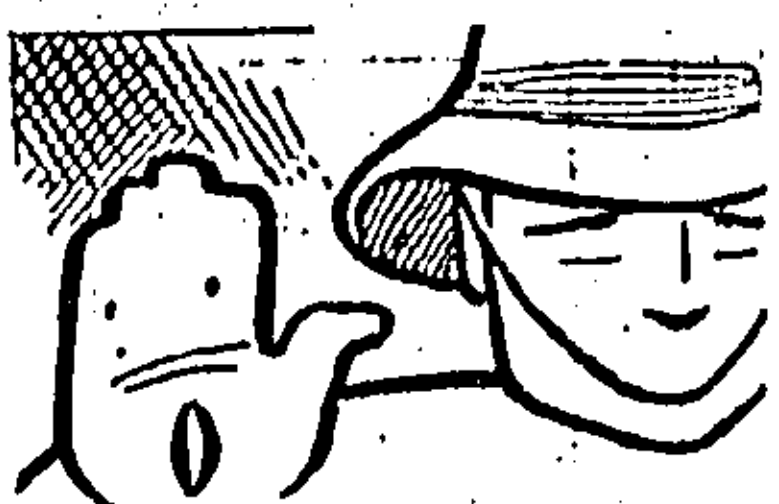


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War and Culture

ONE of the worst features of
modern war and modern in-
ternational rivalry is that na-
tions are made to suffer in mind
as well as in body.

For totalitarian war imitates
the totalitarian State and des-
troys or tries to destroy every-
thing that can keep memory and
imagination alive.

A few months ago the Ger-
mans wreaked their anger on
the most ancient of the Czech
universities: a university that
had been respected even in the
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quarrel between Czech and Ger-
man as the home of Czech cul-
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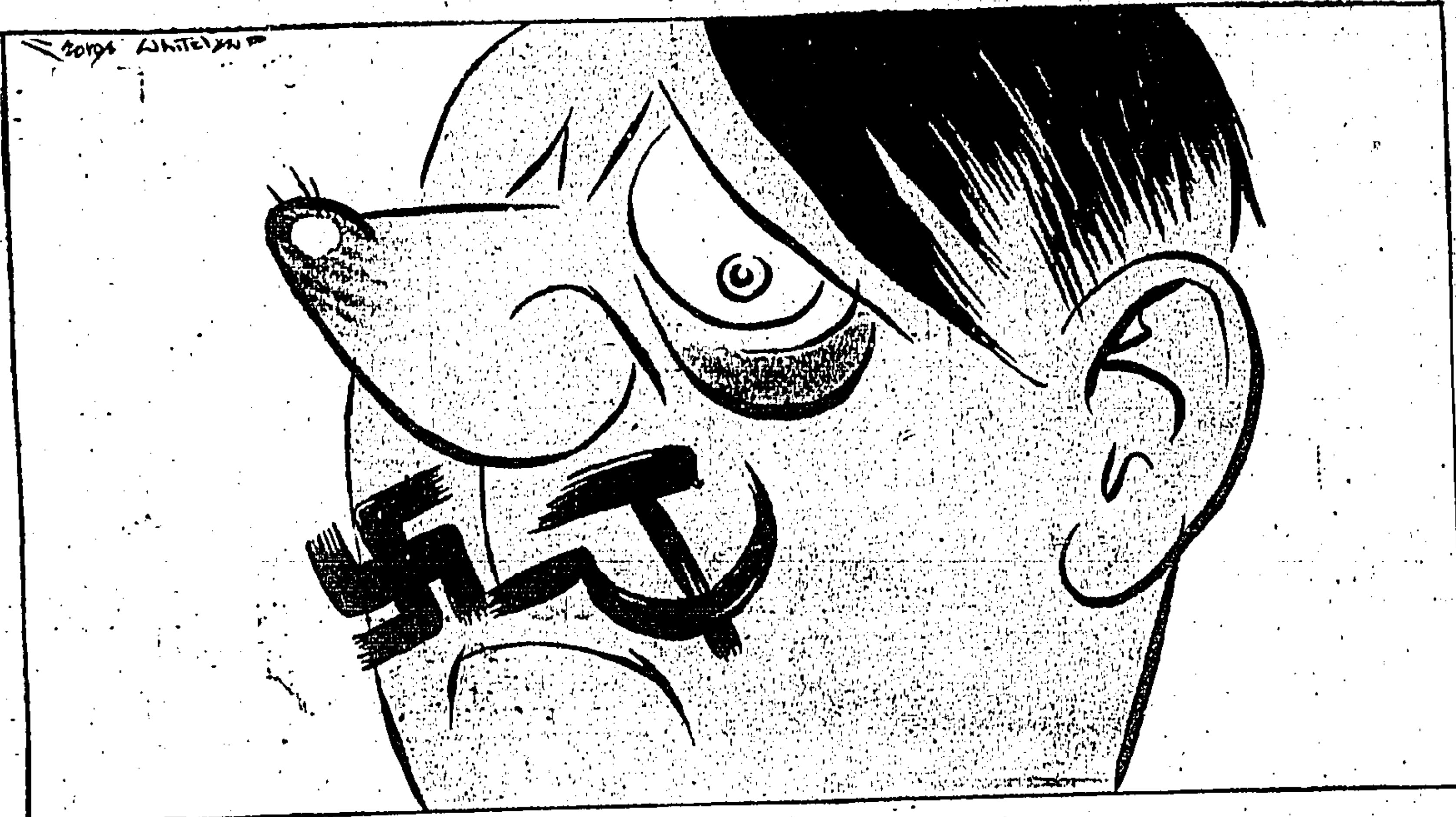
They have now dismantled
the interior of Belyedere Palace
at Warsaw, the museum in
which Pilsudski's memory was
cherished, turning the chapel into
a music-room.

The Lithuanian Government,
following this bad example, has
closed the Polish University at
Vilna, a university established
in the sixteenth century.

The racial rivalries of Eastern
Europe and the Balkans have
been seen at their worst in the
persecutions of language, re-
ligion, and university, and now
the most powerful State in Cen-
tral Europe is making savage
intolerance in this form the
Basis of its policy.

Yet this Power thinks that it
is fitted for the hegemony of
Europe.

The contrast between the be-
haviour of Nazi Germany to
Czech universities and that of
the Republic of Czechoslovakia
to German universities shows
how, sadly, the standard of
civilised government must de-
cline wherever Germany spreads
her rule.



In view of the shortage of soap in Germany, which is likely to cause a renewed wave of moustache-growing, Hitler
will doubtless inaugurate this new fashion—

THE SWASTICKLE

Stalin Would Like To Forget TANNENBERG

The Russian debacle in Finland
was described by Webb Miller, "United
Press" War Correspondent, yesterday
as the greatest Russian debacle since
Tannenberg. Tannenberg was not so
much a victory for German arms
as an overwhelming defeat for the
Russian fighting machine.

IT was at Tannenberg, in
the last week of August,
1914, that the efficiency
of the Great Russian Steam
Roller was first exploded by
the Germans with a disas-
trous bang which has not
yet ceased to echo.
The real truth—happily for
the Allies—reached the world
slowly in 1914. It still makes
gruesome reading. Tannenberg
was, in short, less of a victory
for Germany than it was an
overwhelming defeat for the
Russian fighting machine.

Indeed, the story of those few
August days of 25 years ago
illustrates perfectly the curious
feckless strain in the Russian
nature.

Brilliant Ludendorff

THE years before the
war the plans for an
attack of East Prussia had been
carefully laid. Two Russian
armies were to march against the
Germans north and south of a
line of marshy lakes. The princi-
pal army was led by one
Samsonov.

It was typical of the Russians
you see the same thing happen-
ing in Finland to-day that Sam-
sonov knew nothing of the army
he had to command, knew
nothing of the staff given him,
and had been hauled back from
the Caucasus to supervise an
attack which should have been
carefully rehearsed by the man
in charge.

The other Russian commander
was Rennenkampf, and his army
was at first so successful that the
German General Prittwitz funk-
ed an engagement and was
promptly superseded. This was
on August 21.

Whereupon the German High
Command at Coblenz, on the
other side of Europe, were rather
up a tree. They detached a
brilliant tactician called Luden-
dorff, packed him into a special
northbound train, and then look-
ed around for some senior officer
to command the East Prussian
troops.

Someone suggested the name
of Hindenburg, a 68-years-old
general pottering around Han-
over in civilian clothes; for he
had retired in 1911.

Ludendorff's train stopped at
Hanover long enough to take
Hindenburg on board, and off
they went.

The Russian Debacle

THEY were luckier than
poor Samsonov. By
the time they reached East
Prussia the German staff had

automatically righted the things
that Prittwitz had left undone.
But the Russian debacle had
already started.

Samsonov's big and cumber-
some army had been marching
about the Polish plains for a
fortnight. It was a hot and

sticky August. Railways in Pol-
and were few and far between—
as they are to this day. The
Russians have never yet manag-
ed to run a railway properly, and
perhaps—now that they have
taken to the air—never will.

Ammunition and food began
to run out, and Samsonov's re-
connaissance work was deplor-
able.

Twenty-five years ago this
morning Samsonov knew so little
of the whereabouts of Rennen-
kampf's other Russian army
that he firmly believed that the
pincer-like movement was in
progress. Actually, he was hour-
ly drawing farther away from
Rennenkampf! The pincer was
opening, not closing.

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Now a word about the French...

**BY SPIKE
HUGHES**

IT is one of the ironies of
this very odd war that we
know more of the character
of our present enemies than
of our present allies.

So I thought that a few words
about the French might come in
handy, especially as quite a num-
ber of you may have to share a
trench with them sometime.

The French, being a democratic
nation with the not-easy-to-live-
up-to motto, "Liberty, Equality,
Fraternity," you'll find that in-
scribed on the money when you
set to France.

Little courtesies like this on your
part will work wonders, and it's
shopkeeper hasn't got what you want
he will be only too pleased to tell you
where you can get it. He may even
send somebody to get it for you if he
sees that you're a stranger in those
parts.

proves of those who don't, they are too
good-mannered to say so.
From this class come the French
Civil servants and shopkeepers.
The shopkeepers you will find par-
ticularly friendly and willing to pass
the time of day, but do remember to
say "Bon jour" when you enter the
shop, and "Au revoir" when you
leave. It suggests that your shopping
is also a social pleasure.

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THE Civil servant, or
small-time official class
of Frenchman, appears
somewhat inhumanly bureaucratic at
first; but a smile, a little tact and
patience will reveal that he is an indi-
vidual with a sense of humour and a
genuine desire to be helpful.

Since French mobilisation, of course,
it will not be so easy to distinguish one
class from another, but I doubt if even
a uniform will completely disguise the
Young Blood.

This class of young man has a streak
of the gigolo in him. In peace time he
drives around in a gaily coloured car,
smokes with rather exaggerated chic,
smokes American cigarettes and takes
a passionate interest in le sport and le
jazz hot.

He is a bit of a One for the prize,
and will tell you with pride and some
detail of his alleged conquests. You, as
a guest in his country, will of course
listen with interest and appear im-
pressed. By doing so you will help the
Frenchman to maintain what he
thinks is his reputation among the
English.

He will probably put water in vintage
claret, but as it's the wine of his
country don't appear too shocked.
Then you will come across the pro-

fessional French soldier. He is a cul-
tured, unaggressive person who goes
about his job with a remarkable lack of
fuss and bother. He has no particular
political views, hates war, loves his
country passionately, and is thoroughly
good company.

If anything goes wrong he is more
likely to laugh than not. Like the
French pilot who hit the top of a hedge
taking-off in his plane and crashed.
He got out of a severely buckled
machine, scratched his head and re-
marked: "Well, isn't that funny! I
exactly the same thing happened yes-
terday."

A class apart in France are the
mechanics. They wear berets and
white boiler suits, and in spite of a
deal of excited discussion and argu-
ment will tear an engine to pieces and
put it back better than when it left
the factory. They are probably the best
mechanics in the world.

French children are not much dif-
ferent from other children, except that
while you are struggling with your
Kilgus, they seem to have no difficulty
in speaking French at all.

They are apt to beg and run after
you in the streets until they get some-
thing out of you; but if you find
them really tireless the liaison
officer will, on application, supply
you with one or two magic phrases
to disperse them. They don't be too
harsh; they may be the allies of to-
morrow.

LASTLY, there is the
homme de la rue. He's
very much like the rest
of us men-in-the-street in any civilised
country. He reserves the right to think
and say what he likes. He enjoys poli-
tical argument, makes indelicate jokes
at the expense of the Government, the
consortium, the bachelors' tax and the
bonus for large families.

When a crisis arises, however, he be-
comes deadly and grimly calm. Septem-
ber a year ago he behaved so quietly
and determinedly that I wondered,
watching him, why song-folds was sup-
posed to be exclusively an English
virtue.

One thing only will bring the blood
rushing to his cheeks: the mention of
"Jillike."

NAZIS IN GALICIA

German Eagerness To Obtain Oil

LONDON, Jan. 25 (Reuter).—The position of German troops in Eastern Galicia (Soviet-occupied Poland) was discussed to-day in a broadcast by Mr. F. A. Voigt, the well-known journalist and author.

He doubted if there were more than half a division of German troops in the area, but it was interesting that they should be there at all. They must have arrived with the consent of the Soviet Government and would certainly work with the co-operation of the local Soviet authorities.

Near Rumanian Border
They were actually near the Rumanian border although it was suggested that they were there to guard the railway which ran through Galicia from Humana to Germany.

The German troops in the railway

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for the transport of certain supplies, oil, food, timber, etc. Normally these supplies came by two routes, the Hungarian railways and the Danube.

The latter is important, for all can be shipped in bulk by means of tankers direct to Germany. However, part of the Danube tanker fleet has been bought by the Allies, and the Danube itself is frozen over.

Although the Hungarian railways are exposed to Nazi pressure, the Nazis could not run them as their own, and therefore, it is possible that Germany wants to run the Polish railways as an additional line for her own use.

Would Be Poor Yield
It had been suggested that the Germans were in Eastern Galicia to guard the oil fields so that Germany could get the whole output. Mr. Voigt felt that this was possible, but pointed out that the yield was a poor one.

He had also heard it suggested that the Russians were giving the Germans railway and oil in return for help in the war against Finland. This, he felt, was doubtful, although it was true that the Germans wanted to see Russia, and had sent engineers some time ago to stiffen the Soviet defences.

Maoris Start Training

To Join N. Zealand Overseas Force

WELLINGTON, Jan. 25 (Reuter).—The first battalion of Maori volunteers went into camp for field training to-day.

It was at the express wish of the Maoris themselves that they should be permitted to form their own battalions to fight in the New Zealand Expeditionary Force.

The battalion is 1,000 strong, and in the ranks are men who fought in the last war.

They Fought In Last War
Two Maori battalions went to Europe with the "Anzacs" in the last war. They saw service at Gallipoli and France and won the highest praise from the Allied Command.

The battalions were maintained at a full strength of 2,000 men throughout the war—no mean feat when it is remembered that the whole Maori race at the time numbered a little over 60,000 men, women and children.

New S. A. Minister To France

PARIS, Jan. 25 (Reuter).—The new South African Minister to France presented his credentials to President Lebrun this morning.

He said he was honoured at having been chosen at a time like this to represent the Union in France. His government would do all in its power to ensure the final victory, on which the future of mankind depended.

President Lebrun replied that the assistance of South Africa to the Allied cause would be as precious as it was 25 years ago.

French Navy Score Successes

PARIS, Jan. 25 (Reuter).—French naval units on blockade duty intercepted nine vessels and seized 15,000 tons of merchandise in the week ended January 20, making the total ships intercepted by the French Navy since the start of the war 254, and the amount of merchandise seized 480,000 tons.

Borah Buried In Home Town

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
BOISE, Idaho, Jan. 25 (UP).—Senator Borah was buried in the snow-covered Morris Hill Cemetery to-day.

In a simple ceremony before thousands of friends, the Reverend Frank S. Baen said: "The heart of the world is sad to-day because a real soul has ceased to participate in the affairs of men and nations."

He likened Senator Borah to the Idaho Mountain named for him and extolled the Senator's virtues of simplicity, integrity, individuality and sympathy towards the common people.

Free Speech To Remain

Parliament Gives Assurances

LONDON, Jan. 25 (Reuter).—On two occasions yesterday British Government officials emphasised that the right of free speech would be maintained in Britain.

Replying to the motion in the House of Lords, the Marquess of Dufferin and Ava made it plain that newspapers and cinema were entitled to express opinions just as were newspapers, and they will not be subjected to compulsory censorship during war-time.

To Preserve Freedom
The other statement was made by Sir Walter Mordaunt, who speaking on the principles guiding his work, said that one of his department's main efforts was to preserve the freedom of individual men and women to speak the truth as they see it. Sir Walter is Director-General of Press Censorship.

NAVY ESCORT FOR N.Y.K. LINERS?

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without arousing anger on either side.

"It is with this hope that I have wished to attempt this brief definition of the points at issue as they appear to me," concluded Sir Robert Craigie.

IRITATION INCREASES

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TOKYO, Jan. 25 (UP).—Japanese irritation at the Asama Maru incident is increased owing to the refusal of the British Government to accept Sir Robert Craigie's explanation of a serious breach of diplomatic etiquette in appealing directly to the Japanese people for co-operation.

The Foreign Office spokesman, Mr. Suma, described the British Ambassador's action as almost without precedent.

Sir Robert Craigie's exposure to the Press of the British Government's viewpoints before the British Government had officially replied to the three Japanese protests has created a sensation in Japanese political circles.

Sir Robert Craigie issued a statement to the Japanese Press that the Asama Maru stoppage was not intended to wound Japanese sensibilities, in the present China incident.

The Japanese Navy, he said, had detained and boarded British ships on more than 101 occasions.

Mr. Suma immediately had a conference and the Japanese Press assailed Sir Robert Craigie for appealing to public opinion before a formal diplomatic answer is made, as "an unfriendly step, the like of which has been very rarely seen in any country in the past."

Just Personal Opinions
Sir Robert Craigie pointed out that the statement constituted personal opinions and must not be considered as the British Government's reply in any way. He said the Asama Maru case should be discussed without prejudice to right, anger or excitement.

He pointed out that the Japanese Navy had halted and boarded British vessels in China waters on 101 occasions.

Gateway To Hongkong?
They had halted, boarded and inspected the ship's papers of the P. and O. liner Rumpun four miles from Hongkong last May.

The British action in the Asama Maru case was not intended to hurt Japanese dignity but it was simply the execution of the right of a belligerent.

Misunderstood
He said the Japanese Press had misunderstood and misinterpreted the case. He contended that the German seizure of warships of military age and therefore military reservists due for conscription enforced. He also claimed that the seized Germans had been ordered to return home by the German Government.

Japanese quarters say that Sir Robert Craigie's statement constitutes a deliberate attempt to ignore the importance of the Asama Maru case.

Mr. Suma contended that although the British Ambassador described the statement on the Asama Maru case as merely an explanation, what he said was in fact a protest, and that it constituted a verdict and appeal to the Press at a time when the Japanese Government was awaiting a formal reply from the British Government.

Hitler Silence Puzzles
LONDON, Jan. 25 (Reuter).—Speculation has been aroused in London over Hitler's long silence, which was only broken by the German radio on Wednesday night, to 7,000 air force and army cadets at the Sports Palace in Berlin.

The contents of his speech have not been revealed.

Interest is aroused in the possible plans for a celebration on January 31, which is the anniversary of the Nazis coming into power. Generally this celebration calls for a meeting of the Reichstag and a speech by the Fuehrer.

Semi-official circles in London comment that this year there has been no indication whether he will find anything to say when the anniversary arrives.

Exchange At A Glance

SELLING	
T.T. London	1/2 1/2
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T.T. Shanghai	300
T.T. Singapore	52 1/2
T.T. Japan	10 1/2
T.T. India	24 1/2
T.T. U.S.A.	24 1/2
T.T. Manila	40 1/2
T.T. Batavia	45 1/2
T.T. Bangkok	150 1/2
T.T. Saigon	103 1/2
T.T. France	10 1/2
T.T. Switzerland	10 1/2
T.T. Australia	1/6 1/2
BUYING	
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4 m/s D/P do	1/3 1/2
4 m/s L/C U.S.A.	25 1/2
4 m/s France	11 1/2
30 d/s India	11 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in London	4 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in N.Y.	3.08 1/2

H. K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning.

BANKS	
H.K. Banks (Lon. Reg.)	1,300 b.
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Chartered Bank	85 n.
Mercantile, C. & L.	28 1/2 n.
Mercantile, C. & L.	11 1/2 n.
East Asia	78 n.

INSURANCES	
Canton	207 n.
Union	470 n.
China Underwriter	11 1/2 n.
H.K. Fire	180 n.

SHIPPING	
Douglases	75 b.
Steamships	11 n.
Indo-China P.S.	100 n.
Indo-China D.S.	80 n.
Shell (Barrers & Co.)	70 1/2 n.
Waterloos	7 1/2 n.

DOCKS ETC.	
Wharves	103 n.
Docks	21 1/2 n.
Providents	4 1/2 n.
New Eng. Sh.	10 1/2 n.
Sh. Dock Sh.	240 n.

MINING	
Kailan s/-	18 1/2 n.
Ratbys	10 n.
Venz. Gold	4 n.
H.K. Mines	3 1/2 n.

LANDS	
Hotels	3 1/2 s.
Lands	33 1/2 n.
Lands 4% Debentures	100 n.
Shal. Lands Sh.	14 1/2 n.
Humphreys	8 1/2 n.
H.K. Realities	4 1/2 n.
Chinese Estates	101 n.

UTILITIES	
Trams	17 1/2 n.
Peak Trams (old)	8 n.
Peak Trams (new)	4 n.
Sun. Electric	10 1/2 n.
Y. Electric	24 1/2 n.
China Lights (old)	7 1/2 n.
China Lights (new)	4 1/2 n.
H.K. Electric	55 1/2 n.
Macao Electric	19 b.
Sandakan-Lights	11 1/2 n.
Telephones (old)	25 1/2 n.
Telephones (new)	19 1/2 n.
Traction s/-	19 1/2 n.
Traction (Pref.) s/-	19 1/2 n.

INDUSTRIALS	
Cald. Macp. (Ord.)	Sh. 14.00 n.
Cald. Macp. (Pref.)	Sh. 13 n.
Canton Ice	1 n.
Cement	18 1/2 n.
H.K. Ropes	6 1/2 n.

STORES, &c.	
Dairy Farms (old)	22.00 n.
Dairy Farms (new)	21 1/2 n.
Watsons	0 b.
Lane, Crawfords	7 1/2 n.
Sinceres	1.80 n.
Wing On (H.K.)	41 n.
Powell, Ltd.	1 n.

COTTON MILLS	
Evel Sh.	32 1/2 n.
Shal. Cotton Sh.	17 n.
Zoong Sing Sh.	44 n.
Wing On Textile Sh.	48 1/2 n.

MISC.	
H.K. Entertainments	6.00 b.
Constructions (old)	5 n.
Constructions (new)	1 n.
Vibro Piling	8 1/2 n.
Ch. Govt. 5% 1925	50 n.
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan	102 s.
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% Loan	95 1/2 s.
Marsmans (Lon.) s/-	10 n.
Marsmans (H.K.) s/-	4 n.

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Wang Regime Masquerade

China's Constitution To Be Adopted

TSINGTAO, Jan. 25 (Reuter).—The new Central Government of China, when formed, will "adopt" the constitution of General Chiang Kai-shek's regime to avoid the possibility of trouble in obtaining recognition.

He stated: "There are two courses open to us. The first is to form an entirely new constitution which would be in the nature of a revolution, but which we shall not do. If we overthrow the present system we will have trouble."

"We must adopt and change it slightly and remedy the weak points."

"Free China's" Good Trade

Increased Exports To United States

CHUNGKING, Jan. 25 (Reuter).—Exports from "Free China" to the United States for the first eight months of 1939 were higher than for the entire year of 1938, it is officially announced by the Ministry of Finance.

The increase is said to be specially significant as most of China's foreign trade in 1939 was carried on overland routes as the result of Japan's blockade and occupation of the coastal ports.

The figures for 1939, it is stressed, do not include "Free China's" exports to Hongkong and Shanghai, a large portion of which was later sent to the United States.

SWORD OF DAMOCLES

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titute is that any move to convert the trade relations between the two countries from the temporary basis, which begins on Saturday morning, must come from Tokyo.

Following the trenchant words of the "Washington Post" this morning, the "Evening Star" to-night speaks in the same forthright manner, declaring that "the Milken's Government has long been aware of the fact that to make the United States into a treaty-minded Japan must pledge herself to mend her ways in China and be judged in Washington by her words and not by her deeds."

The writer concludes that January 26 is the turning point of Japanese-American relations, "but there is no longer room for doubt that beneficial results can only follow a fundamental change of heart, spirit and policy in Japan."

WANG'S PROBLEMS
Treaty Expiring Adds To Difficulties

Shanghai, Jan. 25.
Neutral quarters believe the expiration of the Japanese-American treaty without a *modus vivendi* is the biggest boost for Chinese morale and unity since the \$25,000,000 reparations and amputee loan of 1937. Simultaneously, it has dampened Japanese hopes that the forthcoming Wang Ching-wei Government will be able to negotiate peace with Chiang Kai-shek on behalf of Japan, who is unable to negotiate directly owing to the Emperor's unversal prohibition.

Indicating Chungking's determination to continue resistance three times within the week prior to expiration of the treaty, Chiang scathingly attacked Wang Ching-wei, stating it is useless to expect Wang's mediation to succeed, and condemned completely and rejected the peace terms on which Wang's spokesman admitted the agreement with Japan was based. The same week Marshal Chiang had ignored Wang's final appeal to negotiate.

At the same time as the expiration of the treaty Wang is faced with the most serious crisis so far with two of his allies deserting him and the collapse of his negotiations with the Chekiang military leaders, forcing the Japanese to launch new and costly campaigns.

Apart from American policy, other factors influencing Wang's difficulties include the publication of the Kuo-Tao peace terms, Wang's statement that at present it is impossible to find the actual terms, and the admission in Wang's Central China Daily News that peace would mean losses for China; also the advice that China should prefer humiliation to subjugation.

It is pointed out that relations have become worse between the announcement of abrogation of the treaty and the expiration. Both American and Japanese circles in China anticipate further worsening in relations, although theoretically the expiration has "faced Japan" for good behaviour.

The Japanese and American positions on the new order in East Asia and the open door policy are so completely incompatible that it is difficult to foresee an improvement in relations as long as both sides indicate their unwillingness to back down.

In view of the expiration of the treaty the Japanese military authorities now consider embargoes inevitable, but they appear convinced that a Japanese special charge with the function of planning the use, to the best advantage, of the nation's economic resources will be debated in the Commons next Thursday.

Economic Minister Is Demanded
LONDON, Jan. 25 (British Wireless).—A motion tabled by the Labour Opposition urging the appointment of a minister specially charged with the function of planning the use, to the best advantage, of the nation's economic resources will be debated in the Commons next Thursday.

King Praises The Canadians
LONDON, Jan. 25 (British Wireless).—After his visit to the Canadian troops yesterday, the following note authorised by the king appeared in the Divisional orders: "His Majesty was pleased with what he saw. He was greatly impressed by the smartness of the troops, their excellent drill and steadiness on parade."

HUGE DEFENCE BILL APPROVED
WASHINGTON, Jan. 25 (Reuter).—The Senate has approved the \$252,000,000 Emergency Defence Appropriations Bill, which now goes to the House of Representatives for action on amendments, including cuts of \$12,000,000 affecting army, navy and coastguard funds.

Report Is Denied
LONDON, Jan. 25 (British Wireless).—The Air Ministry announced: "Reports that anti-aircraft guns were in action along the Thames Estuary at about noon to-day are inaccurate. There were no enemy aircraft in the area. Smoke trails in the sky may have been caused by R.A.F. patrols."

NAZI PLANE OVER THAMES
LONDON, Jan. 25 (Reuter).—A plane believed to be German appeared high over the Thames Estuary to-day and was driven off by A.A. fire.

It climbed out of sight leaving a trail of smoke behind it.

An Aberdeen fishing trawler, which put into port to-day, reported that a Heinkel bomber dropped two bombs near the ship off the northern coast of Scotland on Wednesday. There were no hits and no damage was caused.

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America-Japan

TOKYO CRITICISM

Tokyo, Jan. 25.
Commenting on the expiration of the Japanese-American commercial treaty, the Asahi Shimbun says that the embargo resolution offered by Senator Key Pittman will soon be discussed and "in the present state of affairs, the Bill will pass."

It says that Japanese diplomacy has been out-generalled and that the United States is now Great Britain's watchdog in the Far East, "polling the whole world." But, if the United States and Great Britain have swallowed the Chinese propaganda that Japan is economically prostrate, and if they provoke Japan, then will soon realise their mistake."—United Press.

Gen. Homma's Opinion

Flensburg, Jan. 25.
The Japanese Garrison Commander, Gen. Homma, said that if despite Japanese goodwill no response was forthcoming from America, then it would be necessary for the Japanese military authorities to review the situation and consider appropriate steps. Gen. Homma said the expiration of the treaty would not necessarily mean intensified restrictions on American trade in North China, but in the event of an embargo representing America's final decision towards Japan, he saw no reason to treat American citizens more favourably than others.

"My impression is that the Americans are ready to take maliciously anything the Japanese military authorities do in China, and probably Japanese is purposely misunderstood," he declared.

Gen. Homma revealed that an anonymous letter was recently received from New York, apparently from an old woman, who complained about Japanese Army Headquarters established in New York where a group of Japanese officers were spying. The letter recommended the recall of the officers to Japan where they should be killed. He said the officers were merely buying supplies for the Japanese Army.

"The Japanese do not consider the strengthening of the American naval position in the Pacific a friendly gesture," he continued. "I hope the Americans will remember that Japan never similarly challenged America."

Asked whether the Japanese-American differences might eventually be settled by compromise between the new order in East Asia and the open door policy, Gen. Homma said: "Nothing can induce Japan to abandon or change her fixed policy. The Japanese have lost 70,000 men in China and therefore do not intend to surrender what they have died for. The new order was vital both for Japan and the United States, and therefore they should co-operate."

Gen. Homma did not believe that a Japanese-American war was possible because there was no serious cause why the difference could not be settled.—United Press.

WANG'S PROBLEMS
Treaty Expiring Adds To Difficulties

Shanghai, Jan. 25.
Neutral quarters believe the expiration of the Japanese-American treaty without a *modus vivendi* is the biggest boost for Chinese morale and unity since the \$25,000,000 reparations and amputee loan of 1937. Simultaneously, it has dampened Japanese hopes that the forthcoming Wang Ching-wei Government will be able to negotiate peace with Chiang Kai-shek on behalf of Japan, who is unable to negotiate directly owing to the Emperor's unversal prohibition.

"Captain Foster's" Racing Review

JANUARY MEETING AT MACAO

ENTRIES REACH USUAL MARK FOR THE AREIA PRETA COURSE

THE JANUARY RACE MEETING under the auspices of the Macao Jockey Club will be held at Areia Preta on Sunday, the entries being up to the usual mark. The first saddling bell will be rung at 1.45 p.m.

SZECHUEN HANDICAP SHOULD PROVIDE BEST RACE

The opening event will be the Kansu Handicap, and the run is over six furlongs. On paper, Eagle should have an easy passage to collect the first prize, but I think National Triumph is dangerous as he has been well treated with an allowance of a stone. Cloudy Star should secure a minor place.

The best race of the afternoon should be seen in the Szechuen Handicap, in which the handicapper has assigned six of the best Macao subs to the first section. The event is a scramble over five furlongs, and anything may happen. If my memory serves, Shanghai 4 has never before been allotted an impost of 140 lbs., and I am sure it must be a great relief to the old warrior when he appears before the starter. I fancy him with Fairy Ousel and Meadow Eve to follow in the rear.

CHINGHAI H'CAP

First Section

GALLANT Marshal after his smart win in Fanling last Sunday should not have any difficulty annexing the Chinghai Handicap (first section) over six furlongs, but he must keep an eye on Heddson. Bedford ran very well last Sunday and I have not been able to ascertain whether the grey gelding is making the trip to the Macao course. The pony has, in my opinion, a good chance, provided the owner jockey (Mr. Sequera, a novice) will take a tip in the true sporting spirit. My humble advice is to face the start without a whip, and I am sure he will find that the pony runs better.

Second Section Szechuen H'cap

GOLD Clause is my pick for the second section of the Szechuen Handicap over five furlongs. The danger comes from either Merry Fatty or Merry Maker, but Coureur Bleu is my choice for a long shot.

TIBET HANDICAP

Only Four Entries

OWING to the proximity of the Annual Race Meeting at Happy Valley, the Tibet Handicap for "D" class China ponies over five furlongs has not been able to attract more

Final Selections

My selections for the six races are as follows:

KANSU HANDICAP

National Triumph

Eagle

Cloudy Star

SZECHUEN HANDICAP (1ST SECTION)

Shanghai 4

Fairy Ousel

Meadow Eve

CHINGHAI HANDICAP (1ST SECTION)

Gallant Marshal

Heddson

New Bedford

CHINGHAI HANDICAP (2ND SECTION)

Gold Clause

Merry Maker

Merry Fatty

TIBET HANDICAP

Talkative

The Tigress

Sunshine Sule

SZECHUEN HANDICAP (2ND SECTION)

Persian Cat

Rose Day

Blasdon

then four entries, and I doubt that all weigh out. However, Talkative is my tip, in fact I cannot see anything to beat him. Sunshine Sule will no doubt give him a good run for the money and so will The Tigress.

Second Section Chinghai H'cap

FOR the last event, the Chinghai Handicap (second section) for "E" class China ponies over six furlongs, my fancy is Persian Cat, who heads the handicap list with 102 lbs. Blasdon and Rose Day are the next best two, the latter being the better sprinter.

Training Track Times Augur New Records

LAST SATURDAY was a lovely morning, and the going was exceptionally good. There was present at Happy Valley a good crowd of interested owners, and in the circumstances several Australian ponies of this season's bunch have come forward in the limelight. Judging by the training gallops, I have a good reason to predict that we shall see a few new track records established at the forthcoming annual meeting.

The best gallop of the weekend was the performance of Maple Star by Graculus over the Derby course, and the mare covered the circuit in 3.12.3.5, finishing the last quarter in 29.1.5 seconds. The last mile was 2.04, but I was not impressed with the whole show.

I liked the gallop of Australian Diamond over the same course, for the daughter of Philensis responded gamely in the last mile run. Although the chestnut mare took 15 seconds more than Maple Star's time for 1 1/2 miles, the home stretch was cantered in 25 1/2 seconds, while the last half mile was changed 55 1/2 seconds. A note should be kept that the last mile was 2.03 1/2. However, a gallop of this calibre showed that the mare must have come from a good "racing family," and I hope it will be proved so at the Annual Carnival.

Fair Chance, a stable-mate of Australian Diamond, went alone over 1 1/2 miles, and although he came home in 2 3/4 seconds (full time being 2.34 1/2), I am not too sanguine about his capability as a stayer.

VICEROY'S PERFORMANCE

BY the way, Viceroys is a mare sired by Sum King, who is also the father of Longdon and Fair Chance. I have not seen Longdon for a long time, but Viceroys is undoubtedly the best of the three off springs. The progeny was asked to show what she could do over the champion course, and Viceroys came out of the test with flying colours.

Accompanied by an amah, the first quarter was journeyed in 28 1/2 seconds and the half mile was done in 58 1/2 seconds. As the chapter could not keep up the terrific pace, Viceroys had to travel the last three-quarters of the circle alone. This she accomplished in 1.37, romping home in 28 1/2 seconds by the per- two furlongs. Judging by the per- formance there is reason to believe that the mare runs better in a company and I hope to confirm this in a fortnight's time.

THE BEST SPRINT

THE best sprint gallop of last Saturday was by Ascot Day (Mr. L. B. Chao), accompanied by Perola d'Orient, the former accomplished the mile in 1.58 1/2. They were fully extended, but in the home run Perola d'Orient was crawling like a snail, and the day mare finished about 60 yards behind.

The pair jumped off with 32 1/2 seconds for the first quarter, but going up the rock the speed was accelerated and when they flashed past the half mile beacon, the time taken was 1.02 1/2. Coming down the hill Perola d'Orient was hard pressed, and the mare threw in her sponge after passing the mile standard on the grass track.

Ascot Day completed the last quarter in 27 1/2 seconds and she finished on the hit. She should win the Sydney Maiden Stakes over six furlongs without any trouble.

The center of the View over the sun and the brown mare was very visible owing to the fact that the mare was full of running down the straight. This youngster in another good run for the Sydney Maiden Stakes.

TRYING HER OUT

MR. Needa was up on Vanity Fair and the combination went over the mile in 2.07 1/2, galloping the last stanza in 28 1/2 seconds flat. The young jockey was no doubt feeling the pony and it seemed to me that he liked the mount. Vanity Fair is by Lorain, who was also responsible for the existence of Shine Again.

The latter was given a good spin over the mile, and the brown mare took 2.04 1/2 for a finishing touch of 27 1/2 seconds for the last 440 yards. It has been seen that both are not too bad over the mile and under.

It is learned from a reliable source that there are some 300 Australian and Chinese ponies training for the annual big meeting, and in the circumstances it must be admitted that one's eyes cannot see all the gallops. However, Powerful Kid, by Powers Court, has been transferred to another stable, and the change in feeding and method of training has made the chestnut mare another pony. She has grown in substance, and Powerful Kid is now looking extremely well. She has the make of a first class racer, but so far the chestnut pony has not done any fast gallop, I am keeping a watch.

INNOVATION BY THE HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB

FOR THE FIRST TIME in the annals of Hongkong's racing, the list of China ponies, bona fide griffins of the season, generally issued by the Hongkong Jockey Club, has in addition the names of the sires. I understand it is a scheme introduced quite recently by the Stewards to exercise a control of the pony's origin, and the project will no doubt provide a reliable record of every griffin's breeding.

A list of all Derby griffins (China ponies) entered for the big meeting is appended below, and an "X" before the names indicates that the candidates have been nominated for the Hongkong Derby to be contested on February 10.

Brand No.	Name of Pony	Colour	Height	Sire
K 73	Alexandria Bay	Bay Stallion	14.1	Usurpator
K 19	Attacking Time	Bay Mare	14.0	Don Juan
K 44	Blue Skies	Bay Mare	14.0	Gromoboy
J 78	Bronze Arrow	Chestnut	14.1	Karagach
J 78	Burford	Bay Stallion	14.1	Secret
J 55	Care Free	Chestnut	14.1	Liaerd
J 70	Charlesber	Bay Stallion	14.1	Blesek II
K 53	Clember	Chestnut	14.1	Gromoboy
K 37	Common View	Ches. Mare	14.1	Don Juan
K 33	Craigavad	Bay	14.1	Eage
K 45	Dingo	Chestnut	14.0	Oric
J 11	Dislative Time	Ches. Mare	14.1	Not Known
J 2	Dupont Bay	Brown Mare	14.1	Usurpator
K 3	Eve of Hunting	Bay	14.0	Usurpator
K 1	Eve of Dancin	Bay	14.1	Usurpator
K 13	Eve of Folly	Bay	14.0	Burnt Mint
K 10	Eve of Peace	Bay Mare	14.0	Burnt Mint
K 7	Eve of Reason	Bay Mare	14.1	Burnt Mint
K 8	Eve of Rest	Ches. Mare	14.1	Not Known
H 22	For All Time	Chestnut	14.0	Uzuli
K 43	Forty Three	Bay Mare	14.1	Usurpator
K 21	Grey Star	Bay Mare	14.1	Uzuli
J 74	Gretber	Bay Mare	14.1	Uzuli
K 20	Hillbora Bay	Bay	13.3	Baron
K 10	Hopeful Star	Grey Stallion	14.1	Baron
J 50	Hughber	Black	14.3	Not Known
H 15	Hurricane	Chestnut Mare	14.3	Not Known
K 39	Jane Doe	Bay Stallion	14.0	Gane
K 60	Johner	Chestnut Mare	13.3	Joker
K 17	Kentucky	Bay Mare	14.1	Bunder
J 76	Law and Order	Chestnut	14.1	Kayo
K 18	Leading Time	Chestnut Mare	14.1	Don Juan
J 20	Little Princess	Bay Mare	13.3	Not Known
J 47	Lustania	Bay	14.1	Not Known
J 72	Mount Hope Bay	Bay Stallion	14.1	Joker
K 25	National Success	Bay Mare	13.3	Not Known
K 47	Ohio	Chestnut	14.1	Alibi
J 1	Obilway (late Egmont Bay)	Bay	14.1	Not Known
K 55	O-Lan	Brown Mare	14.0	Karagach
K 48	Omaha	Chestnut	14.1	Big Boy
K 41	Oomph	Bay Mare	14.0	Vistoun
J 10	Osage (late Rosy Time)	Ches. Mare	13.3	Not known
K 38	Palber	Bay Mare	14.1	Athos
K 83	Patricia	Bay Mare	14.1	Eage
J 70	Possible	Bay Mare	14.0	Osan
J 17	Prince Charming	Chestnut	14.1	Not known
K 54	Raylight	Chestnut Mare	14.1	Tallmora
H 13	Resisting Time	Chestnut Stallion	14.0	Not known
J 77	Ronson	Bay	14.0	Kayo
H 33	Rose Charming	Ches. Mare	14.1	Not known
J 54	Rose Elegant	Bay Mare	14.1	Karagach
J 53	Rose Perfect	Bay Mare	14.1	Big Boy
K 52	Royber	Brown Stallion	14.1	Gromoboy
K 58	Savilght	Chestnut	14.1	Samorland
K 51	Smashing Wings	Bay Mare	14.1	Usurpator
K 50	Smashing Through	Bay Mare	14.1	Grenadier
K 57	Spiclight	Bay Mare	14.1	Uzuli
K 36	Thirty Six	Ches. Mare	14.0	Not known
J 35	Victoria	Brown Mare	14.0	Karagach
K 59	White Diamond	Chestnut	14.1	Oric
K 67	Xenophon	Bay	14.1	Oric

ARMSTRONG RETAINS WELTERWEIGHT TITLE

NEW YORK, Jan. 25 (Reuter).—At Madison Square Garden to-night, Henry Armstrong retained the world welterweight title when he beat Pedro Montanez, of Puerto Rico, by a technical knockout in the ninth round.

The bell twice saved Montanez. He was hopelessly outfought and floored three times.

Rest Of Colony Team To Play Interport XV

The following have been selected to play for the Rest of the Colony against the Colony Interport, fifteen on the Club Ground to-morrow night: Sub-Lt. Kennedy (Navy), Taylor (Police), Sub-Lt. Stevens (Navy), and Sub-Lt. Stevens (Army); Capt. C. E. Lusk (Police); Lt. Cuthbertson (Army); Cpl. Sutherland (Army); E. O. Taylor (Navy); Wright-Noth (Police); C. W. King (Navy); and Lt. Pinkerton (Army).

Reserves—Lt. Carter (Navy), B. C. Jay (Police), Lt. Cor. Clark (Navy), L. S. A. Palmer (Navy) and Pie. Berry (Army). Players unable to play are asked to get in touch with Lt. H. Cuthbertson, Murray Barracks.

INTERPORT FOOTBALL SCHEDULE IN SHANGHAI

The Shanghai Football Association announce that the Interport football programme against Hongkong will be as follows:
Thursday, February 8.—Interport against Hongkong at Candelrome, 2.30 p.m.
Friday, February 9.—Hongkong against Combined Chinese at Candelrome, 3 p.m.
Sunday, February 11.—Hongkong v. United Services at Candelrome, 10.30 a.m.

Rifle Shooting

NAVAL RANGE STAFF WIN BELILIOS SHIELD SEMI-FINAL

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION'S spoon and practice shoot at Kowloon City on Wednesday drew 82 members who, in spite of the poor light, enjoyed a good afternoon's sport, and recorded some good scores.

In the open sights class, 50 per cent. secured 80 points or more, while in the aperture sights class, 19 obtained 90 or more points.

The latter included a century by L/Cpl. S. G. Brightly, of the Royal Engineers, whose performance is very creditable in view of the fact that he has only been shooting with this type of rifle for about two months. A.S.P., D. Lole, of the Hongkong Police Reserve, won a possible button and a handicap spoon.

BELILIOS SHIELD

THE SEMI-FINAL of the Belilios Shield was won by the Naval Range Staff, who beat Hongkong Police Reserves by 530 points to 513. The Reserves got off to a very good start at the 200 yards range, securing a lead of 13 points, but at the 400 yards range the Naval Range Staff reduced this to five, and at 600 yards scored 22 more points than their opponents.

In the Revolver Shoot on Wednesday, Mr. Evans of the Royal Air Force, won the spoon with a score of 62 out of 60.

SUNDAY PROGRAMME

ON SUNDAY, January 28, the programme will be arranged by the Naval Dockyard Rifle Club, and will be at 200, 400 and 600 yards. The Commanders will be present and will distribute the prizes.

The semi-final match in the Belilios Shield Competition, between Royal Engineers and the Royal Air Force, and revolver and clay-bird shooting, will also take place on Sunday. Firing will commence at 8.45 a.m. sharp.

Leading scores on Wednesday were as follows:

Aperture Sights	100	200	300	400	500	600	Tot.
L/Cpl. S. G. Brightly Ser.	34	33	32	31	30	29	219
A.S.P. (R) D. Lole 2	34	33	32	31	30	29	219
Sgt. G. E. Breece 1	34	33	32	31	30	29	219
Sgt. W. F. Rushman 6	34	33	32	31	30	29	219
Mr. V. R. J. Merrett 7	34	33	32	31	30	29	219
Pte. R. L. L. 9	34	33	32	31	30	29	219
Pte. R. L. L. 9	34	33	32	31	30	29	219
L/Cpl. (R) N. L. Pan 7	34	33	32	31	30	29	219
Cpl. A. J. F. 12	34	33	32	31	30	29	219
L/Cpl. (R) K. C. Ho 1	34	33	32	31	30	29	219
P.S.M. V. Cooper Ser.	34	33	32	31	30	29	219
Capt. J. F. Secura Ser.	34	33	32	31	30	29	219
(R) K. C. Wong 3	34	33	32	31	30	29	219
Mr. F. Evans Ser.	34	33	32	31	30	29	219
Mr. W. Kifford Ser.	34	33	32	31	30	29	219
R. J. Hoop Ser.	34	33	32	31	30	29	219
Capt. E. Sale 3	34	33	32	31	30	29	219
Cpl. A. J. F. 12	34	33	32	31	30	29	219
Sgt. F. E. Russell Ser.	34	33	32	31	30	29	219
Sgt. (R) C. Chan 2	34	33	32	31	30	29	219
P. S. Chanchal Singh 3	34	33	32	31	30	29	219

Open Sights

Sgt. W. R. J. Merrett 7	33	29	31	31	31	218
Pte. R. Bullen 3	33	29	31	31	31	218
Pte. R. Cecil 1	33	29	31	31	31	218
Sgt. (R) N. L. Pan 7	33	29	31	31	31	218
Cpl. A. J. F. Ferreira 12	33	29	31	31	31	218
Mene. S. S. 1	33	29	31	31	31	218
Sgt. (R) O. T. Leong 10	33	29	31	31	31	218
Cpl. Naranjan Singh 9	33	29	31	31	31	218
Pte. A. N. Singh 1	33	29	31	31	31	218
Pte. J. Heggie 14	33	29	31	31	31	218
Lt. K. I. M. Buchanan Nil	33	29	31	31	31	218
Sgt. J. M. P. 1	33	29	31	31	31	218
Sgt. W. W. Allen 8	33	29	31	31	31	218
Sgt. (R) H. O. Two 7	33	29	31	31	31	218
Sgt. J. M. P. 1	33	29	31	31	31	218
F/Sgt. J. Tollison 5	33	29	31	31	31	218
S. Q.M.S. J. Hargreaves 11	33	29	31	31	31	218
Sgt. (R) J. M. P. 1	33	29	31	31	31	218
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Weekly Shampoos

By JACQUELINE HUNT

MANY of you can remember when a shampoo was a monthly ordeal that involved setting aside an entire day or at least a good part of it. This was followed by a few trying days when you just "couldn't do a thing with it"—meaning your hair.

But along with the Saturday night bath and heating water on the cook stove, those days are gone forever. Not only do you wash your hair as a matter of cleanliness and grooming but as a health precaution as well. Skin specialists have traced many complexion ailments to oily, germ-laden, unclean scalps. Now even twice-monthly hair washings are no longer considered sufficient for a shining head of hair. You must shampoo your hair every week or ten days to insure its health and beauty.

To make this matter of shampooing much easier and more thorough, there are a number of good shampoos on the market with penetrating lathers and cleansing properties. There are bland olive castile soap liquids for the dry or temperamental hair that soften and cleanse.

There are stronger preparations containing pine tar or other antiseptic ingredients for the overly oily scalp or the one troubled with dandruff. There are soapless oils that lather beautifully and rinse away completely, leaving your hair



Clean-smelling, eau de Cologne added to the rinse water after a shampoo not only leaves the hair delicately fragrant but hastens the drying time after the waves and curls are set. If necessary to dampen the hair slightly while the curls are being arranged use a mixture of half water and half eau de Cologne.

shiny and bright, while other types of oil preparations serve as complete hot oil treatment and wash away cleansing preparation for your hair and in ten or fifteen minutes you can have a "crowning glory" to boast about.

From a charming French woman comes a hint to make your shampoo even more pleasant. If your hair is inclined to be a trifle oily, pour a few drops of fragrant eau de Cologne into the rinse water to act as a mild astringent for your scalp and to add a whiff of fragrance to every lock of your head.

Change the odour of your eau de Cologne with your moods. You might like the clean, sharp smell of unscented eau de Cologne or you might like the spicy, exotic odour of Spanish geraniums for parties or special occasions. Whichever you prefer, you will like the delicate fragrance in your hair, and you'll find it less likely to become untidy or hard to manage between shampoos.

Bland Soap for Dry Hair

Dry hair is another problem and must be treated differently. Use a bland soap or have a hot oil treatment to start with, then after you have rinsed away as much of the soap as you can, try this trick. Fill your wash basin with tepid water and add to it a few drops of bath oil. There is an excellent English preparation for this purpose. The oil softens and scents the water and your hair will have a lovely sheen when your shampoo is complete.

Remove the excess moisture from your hair with warm towels and when your hair is only slightly damp, comb, brush and push into waves. This will be sufficient if your hair has a slight natural curl. If not, push damp ends in little curls. Or, if you have the patience and skill, form little flat round curls with your fingers and pin them in place like your hair-dresser does when you

Short Cuts

Velvet may be cleaned by rubbing magnesium into it. Shake well occasionally. When entirely gone over, brush well with a clean brush that is not too stiff.

Add sliced raw potatoes when rendering fat of any kind; it will make the fat white and clear.

Rice will not stick to the pan in which it is cooked if the pan is greased with butter beforehand. Some housewives prefer putting a piece of butter in the rice. Either method does the trick.

Beauty Tips

If you are an outdoor enthusiast and enjoy vigorous sports like riding or hiking, then see how pretty you will look with a suntan make-up. Use a rather dark tinted cream and powder. Your complexion will look warm and pretty when the wind whips up a natural blush.

To be beautiful in winter keep your circulation lively. Take stretching exercises every morning. Indulge in some outdoor sport even though it's nothing more than running with your dog. Don't have your indoor temperature too high.

Have your hair set at a beauty shop. Over your curls slip a tidy looking mesh cap or net to hold every hair in place until your hair is thoroughly dry. Then brush into soft, natural looking swirls and curls. Finish by spraying lightly with brilliantine to give added highlights.



Basically, most dresses now are built on the flared skirt with form-fitted top, skirts being gored, double-tiered or bordered. This parrot green heavy crepe dress has a double row of buttons marking the centre panel of the princess gores.



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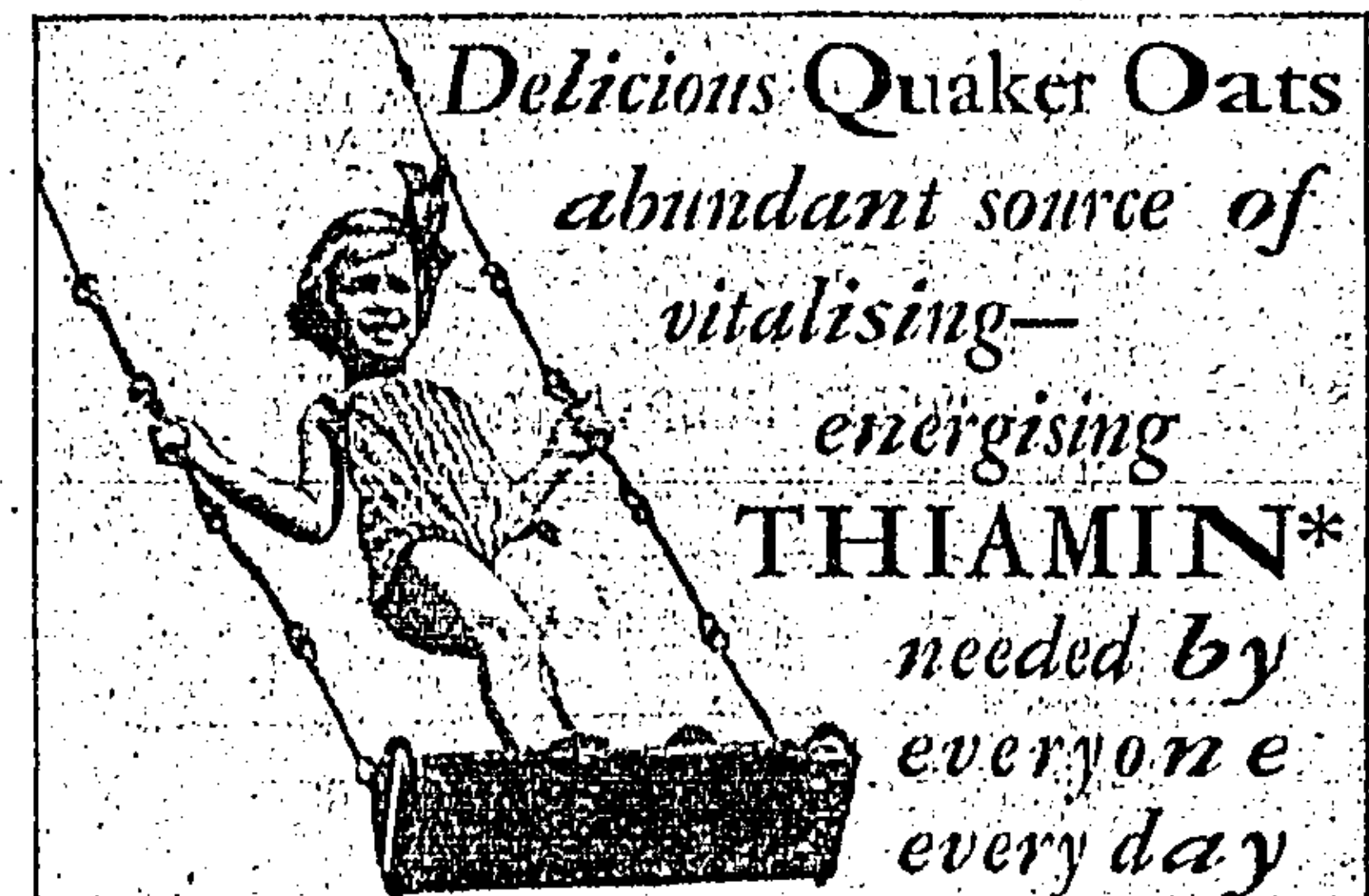
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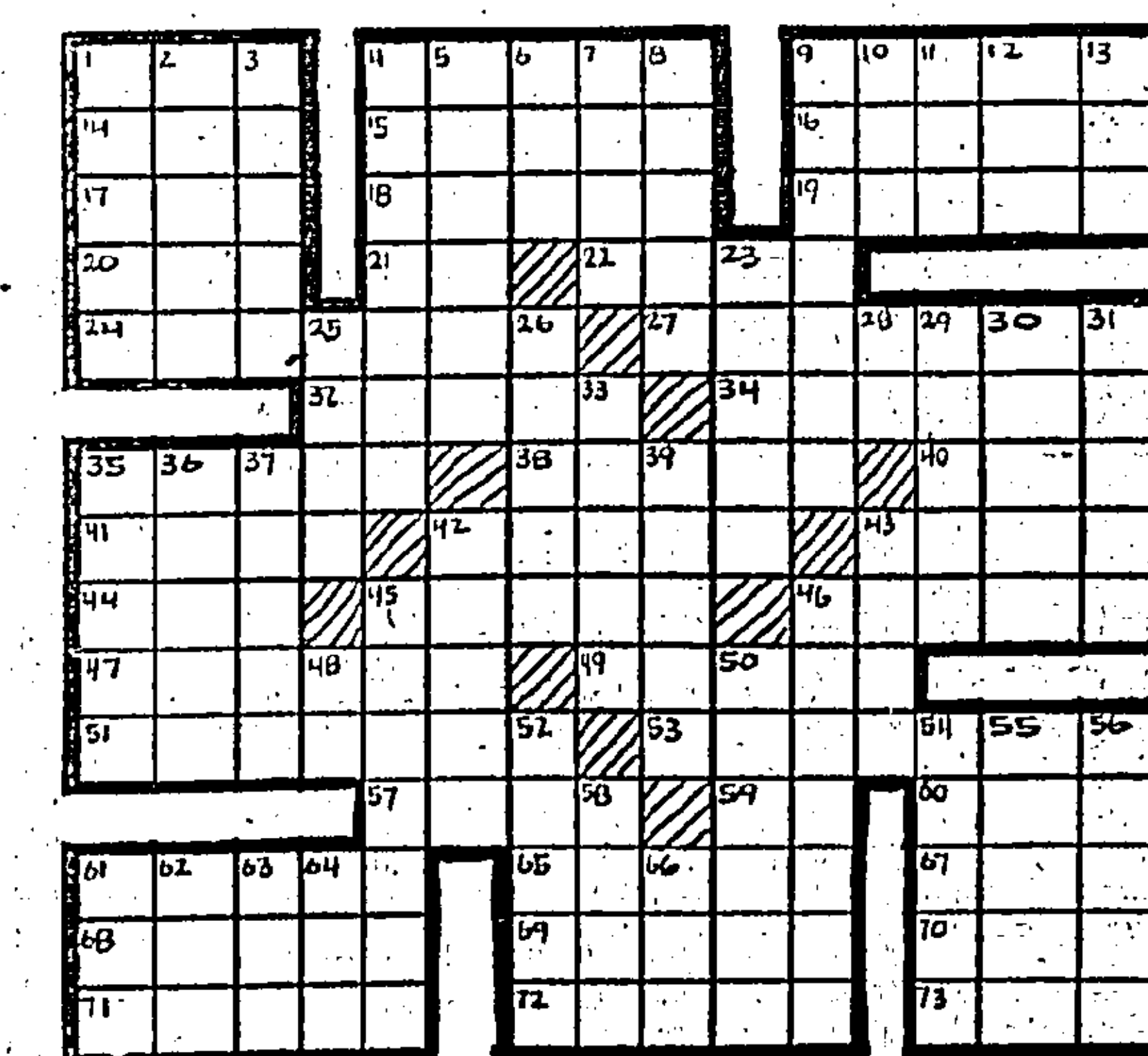
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ACROSS

1—Oath
4—Under age
9—Fiction-inducing substance
14—Man's name
15—Proverb
16—Vain away
17—Immoral deed
18—Mature
19—Verd opera
20—Adjust
21—Towards
22—Make comfortable
23—Learned
24—Artist's stand
25—Act of holding
26—Marine animal
27—Indian coin
28—To the right
29—Dead cooling
30—Grain storehouses
31—Pay attention
32—Formerly
33—Hard exterior
34—Felt
35—Bruise
36—Critic's name
37—Having hands
38—Fold back
39—Tease
40—Pronoun
41—Tolerance
42—Ichneumon
43—Total
44—Illuminated

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

1—Military
2—Pebbly-minded ones
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4—Packed arch
5—Particular to
6—Untrue
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Count the
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The U.S. War Department has ordered the evacuation of American troops from the Maysang district in the island of Mindanao, despite the fact that the peaceful community is threatened with extinction by Alipang and his dreaded Moro bandits.

Four men are ordered to Maysang to assist Colonel Hatch in training the Philippines Constabulary, which is to keep order in the district after the withdrawal of the troops. Soon after their arrival Colonel Hatch is murdered by a Moro and Manning takes charge. But Manning, too, is killed, leaving only Hartley, a strict disciplinarian, Larson, McCool and Canavan, the doctor, to hold out against the thousands of Moros. The Moros dam the water supply, as a result of which cholera breaks out.

THE disease spread like wildfire.

Every available cot was set up in the hospital, and when that was full they used the church. Stretchers passed through the streets hourly, bearing the stricken, carrying out the dead.

Canavan gave the orders: no raw fruit or uncooked vegetables. No more boats to unload their cargoes at the dock. No more water from the well.

He went to Hartley: "We've got to have water. The whole village is polluted. You've got to send someone to dynamite the dam!"

Hartley protested—the jungle would be sure death to anybody.

"It's sure death here unless we get water," Canavan snapped.

Struggling against overwhelming odds Canavan tried to bring the disease under control.

The Spanish well was covered and a guard posted night and day with orders to shoot down anyone attempting to get water.

The flames of the lime kiln illuminated the night; great bonfires in the street were continually fed by contaminated clothing and household articles—the leaping, fantastic shadows seemed like the form of death itself, unleashed.

Hartley knew Canavan was right. He called Larson, gave him a squad of eight men and orders to dynamite the dam. Miguel went with him to show him the way. When he shook hands with Canavan and McCool his honest face was beaming with delight: "Oh, boy! What orchids I'm going to get in that jungle!"

"Hope it won't be lilies," McCool muttered as they watched him disappear into the jungle.

THE fight against disease went on. The river bed stretched out under the pitiless sun, cracked and gray as the dry skin of a snake. No water flowed, and Larson did not return.

The padre passed from house to house administering extreme unction and comforting the bereaved.

Linda haunted the hospital and the streets, overwhelmed by the catastrophe. Canavan making his ceaseless rounds seemed hardly to see her. At last she stood squarely in his path, her face pale and strained, her hands clasped tightly together.

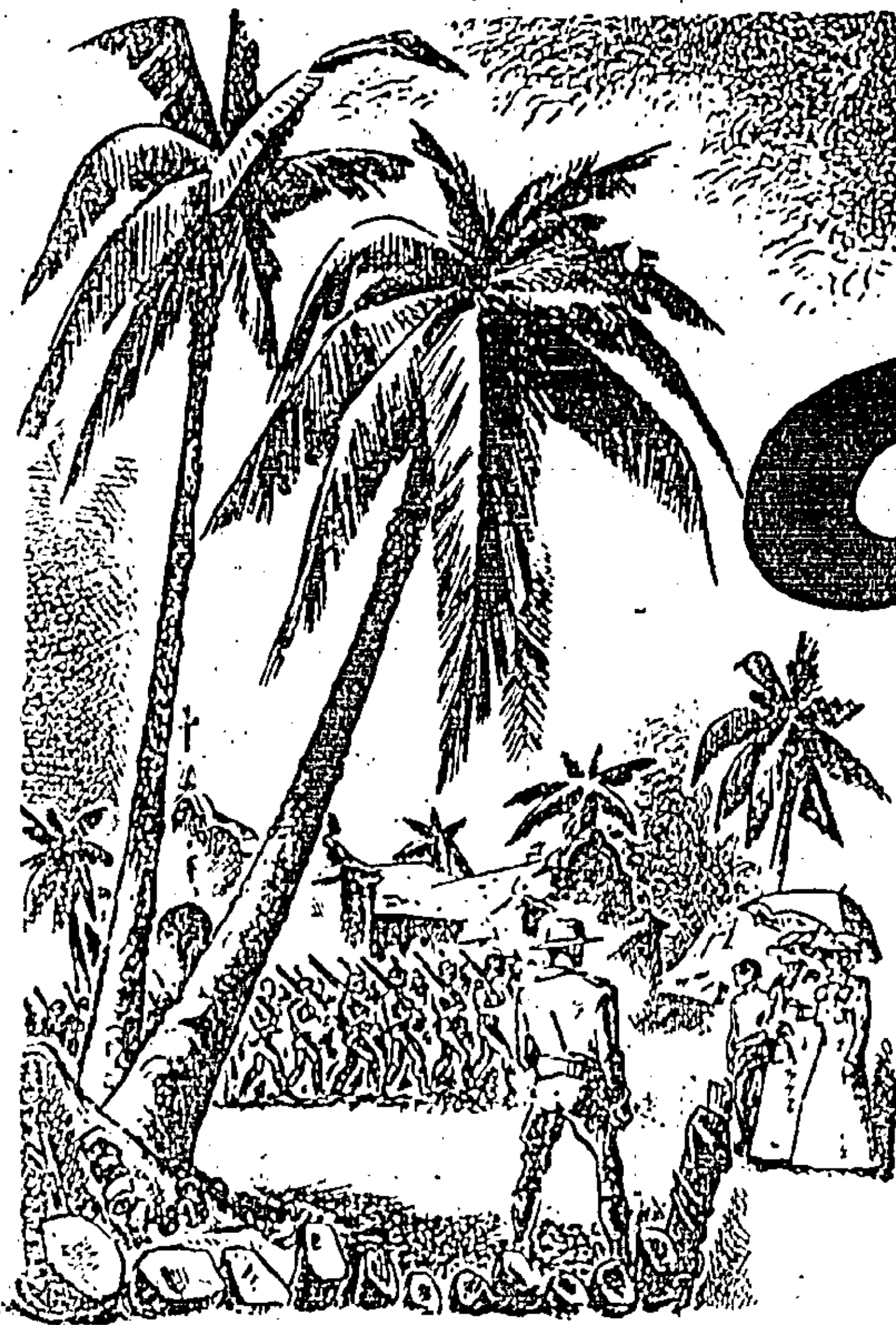
"I want to help," she said. "This isn't your kind of soldiering, Linda," he said wearily. "It's just filth and slime and work that'll make you sick to your stomach."

"Tell me what to do." In his tired mind he suddenly saw her, at six, in a Top Sergeant's uniform—his long sensitive lips relaxed in just the ghost of a smile. "See that lime over there? Make a saturated solution, and wash every dish in every house in Maysang."

"Yes, sir," Linda answered—and for a fleeting second he imagined she was going to salute.

One night Yabo walked into Canavan's office with a dozen grim looking soldiers behind him. "Captain," he said, "we watch our women and children die. . . . Alipang—he do this to us, and stay safe in the jungle. We no longer afraid of enemy who do this coward thing—we want to fight, we are ready."

Canavan felt a thrill go up his spine as he heard the Filipino words—at last they were ready to



march! He took them to Hartley. But Hartley was as implacable as ever. As long as he was in command, the War Department orders would be obeyed! He reminded Canavan of a sick herd-bull, defying the moment when his leadership would be wrested from him.

Revolt was in the air. It was a churning under the sick apathy of the plague-ridden town. You could see it in the dark faces of the soldiers watching their women die. McCool felt the need to fight rising in him like a fever. He faced Hartley across his desk—some stupendous effort of control making him away on his feet and clench his fists at his aid.

"Shouldn't someone go and see what happened to Larson, Captain?" he said in a tense voice.

"Sorry, McCool, I can't spare any more men. Suppose there was an attack on the post?"

"I wish to God there was—so does everybody else. We're all so nervous we're jumping at shadows!" McCool leaned over the desk, his eyes burning with a feverish light: "If you don't send me to look for Larson, sir—I'm going myself—with or without orders."

"McCool! You're sick. The Irishman rushed out without answering. Just at the door he staggered slightly. Canavan followed him a few minutes later, face down on the floor of his bedroom, his cartridge belt hooked around his waist.

WHEN Hartley got the report of McCool's collapse he seemed to take it like a death blow.

Canavan had got McCool into bed with Linda's help, and when she had fallen into an exhausted sleep sitting by his side, Canavan had carried her to her own quarters in his arms.

Hartley was waiting for him in the shadows of the veranda when he came out. He came uncertainly across the porch. "Linda all right?" he asked vaguely.

"Just exhausted from forty-eight hour duty," Canavan said briefly. "Sit down, Canavan. I want to talk to you."

"I'm pretty busy."

HARTLEY put a hand on his arm. Canavan noticed again the heavy immobility of the man, like a strong animal stalked to the ground.

"Canavan," he said without further preliminary, "I'm going blind." So that was it! "That bolt cut the nerve centre. Hatch knew—he ordered me home to the base hospital, but I tore up the report after he was killed. I—I wanted to die in harness. The army is my life."

The blundering, lonely pride of the man tore at Bill's heart. He couldn't help feeling sorry for him, but it was a nice meas. "I had to tell you," the hopeless voice went on. "Larsen gone, McCool sick. You're the only one left. We've got to send for the army."

Canavan rose as though he would do hand to hand battle with Hartley's despair. "Maybe you can wait that long, but the cholera can't. We don't need the army—we need running water."

A figure detached itself from the shadows at the foot of the steps—the whip-like body of the Datu in his gaudy coat and tight striped trousers—a strange, almost carnival figure in this setting of death and sorrow and with the carnival mummer's mask carved in lines of exaggerated good fellowship, which somehow convey a latent dreadfulness. Canavan didn't like the man.

"It is true," the Datu was saying in measured tones, "the people die unless the river runs again."

A slight urgency came into his voice and he leaned forward addressing the bowed figure of Hartley. "Give me men, Tuan, and I will lead them myself to the river head to break up the dam."

Long afterwards, Canavan remembered the expression in his small eyes—the diabolical intensity. He got no further, for down the street two soldiers moved slowly, a limp body between them, calling for the doctor. The slim outlines of the body they carried made Canavan leap down the steps and across to them in two strides.

"Miruel!" The closed eyes fluttered. "Teniente." Canavan leaned over him: "What happened?"

"Miruel struggled for words. 'Ambush—killed—everybody. He lapsed into unconsciousness. As Canavan took him in his arms, he was conscious of the Datu peering intently into the boy's face."

Miruel was tough. Canavan thought he could patch him up, but for some reason he didn't say so, in answer to the Datu's inquiring stare.

Something troubled Miruel the next morning as he tossed restlessly to and fro on his narrow hospital cot. He mumbled and muttered ceaselessly as he came out of the anaesthetic.

Canavan caught the word "Datu" several times, then the boy would lapse into unconsciousness. Canavan leaned forward, tensely. "Come on, Mike—what about the Datu? Try to remember."

At the sound of the name, Mike opened his eyes wide in sudden terror, and grabbed Bill's arm: "The Datu—he with Alipang's men in ambush—he kill Larson."

CANAVAN raced back to Hartley's quarters, but he was no longer on the porch or in his bedroom. He rushed across the ground to headquarters, but every window was dark. In the guardhouse he grabbed a Sergeant: "Where's Captain Hartley?"

The Sergeant saluted: "He leave half hour ago for jungle with company of men."

"The Datu, was he with him?" "Si, Teniente. He go along."

The river wound and turned terminally up into the hills. Canavan thrashed through the vegetation, trying to find a trail.

He had taken the long chance of getting to Hartley and his men before they were betrayed into ambush by the treacherous Datu. He had left the sick McCool in charge in the village—when McCool heard there was nobody else, through the fog of his fever, he raised his head from his pillow and saluted weakly: "An order, an order, sir," and by the time Canavan had on his cartridge belt, the Irishman was reaching for his shoes.

THE REAL GLORY

He had left the sleeping Linda with a kiss. That was the hardest thing to do. Fighting the cholera side by side, he had learned the stuff she was made of, and he knew when he went back home to hang out his shingle she must be by his side. // and when . . . he amended his thought as he gazed around him at the trackless, forbidding jungle. There was no sign of Hartley or even that he had passed this way. Evidently the Datu was leading him far off any track a searching party would follow, to the waiting ambush. Half-blind Hartley would have to rely implicitly on his leadership, never suspect the duplicity until he walked straight into the trap.

Canavan reached a clearing along the edge of the river. Above him two buzzards circled heavily up from behind a boulder of rock.

On the other side he found strewn up the hillside like clues in a treasure hunt, cartridge belts, tin plates and forks, a soldier's hat, a battered harmonica, and finally, near some shrubbery, a knapsack with several bottles of unopened beer.

The bodies of the soldiers were further up where they had fought off the surprise attack, their backs to the river.

Suddenly Canavan stopped rigid with horror. Under a flat-branched tree, spreading itself with the utilitarian precision of an umbrella, was a pale head sprouting like a giant mushroom from the sod.

Almost unrecognisable under the mask of tortured dying, and thick with honey, were the simple child-like features of Larson.

Canavan's mouth went down in a thin lurid line which, for a moment, was not steady.

Then he leaned over, took a bottle of beer from Larson's case and cracked it open against the rock beside him.

With eyes level on the face of his friend, he drank a silent toast that was also a pledge. Then he crashed the empty bottle against the rock.

Canavan began to climb again along the river bank. His eyes caught sight of the snake-like movement of men moving in single file on a high rocky escarpment to his right. He veered off in that direction, clambering frantically up the steep rough grade, away from the river. Sometimes he would lose sight of the slowly winding column, then it would reappear quite sharply against the sky.

At last he was running parallel to it as it wound into an isolated gully. He saw the Datu pacing quickly in the lead, his eyes shifting from side to side. He saw two men when the groping Hartley, stumbling and tripping behind him, asked him a sharp and anxious question.

Evidently Hartley had begun to question the circuitous way they were going to the river head. Helpless in his growing blindness, Canavan could see his hands fluttering out in a futile instinctive effort to sense his position. Yabo was behind him, his face drawn with worry.

And behind him were the three Moro cargadores, carrying the dynamite boxes on their backs; one of them Canavan recognised as the Juramentado he had captured from Alipang's camp. Quietly, he clambered abreast of the column and jumped down from a boulder, directly in the Datu's path.

"Why do you lead the men this way, Datu, when the river head is there?" he asked, pointing in the direction from which he had come.

"Canavan!" Hartley called, as though, stopping abruptly in the path.

"That way dangerous," the Datu said suddenly.

"Yes, I know—I just got a look at Larson. And I know who ambushed him."

Yelling, they rushed up the side of the gully and started running for the edge of the escarpment.

The one in the lead, without a moment's hesitation, flung himself over the edge of the cliff, and the second one followed, lifting both feet off the ground in a wild suicidal leap.

The fanatical screams of "Allah!" were swallowed up in a terrific explosion, as the dynamite boxes crashed on the rocks below.

The third cargadores reeled backwards as a bullet from Canavan's pistol caught him in the back; his legs seemed paralyzed by the shot, but with his hands he clawed his way to the edge of the cliff. Canavan grabbed the dynamite box just as he somersaulted with a wild scream into the abyss.

When Canavan turned with the box of dynamite, Hartley was standing apparently stunned by the explosion. As Canavan came toward him he realised the concussion had left him stone blind.

"It's all right," he said quickly to the unseeing face, "the Datu was leading you into an ambush. I have the dynamite—enough. Yabo!"

"Yes, sir."

Canavan was opening the dynamite case and stuffing his pockets with sticks. "Stay close to Captain Hartley and see that his orders are obeyed. I'm going to the dam."

"Alone?" Hartley asked, turning in the direction of his voice.

"No, I'll take my pal the Datu—as a shield and guide. Wait for me here."

The bound Datu seemed reluctant to follow the path to the riverhead. Canavan was alert for ambush. Under an arch of knarled and twisted banyans the Moro stopped, sullen and scowling.

"Get on, my friend—" Canavan gave him a push. With a scream he stumbled forward and the earth collapsed under his feet. Face down in a deep pit, Canavan saw the body of the Datu transfixed by a dozen spears.

Hartley, waiting in the gully, could hear the roar of the dynamite charge, and then the faint steeper roar of the waters rushing into the dry bed of the river and down the mountainside.

When Canavan rejoined Hartley he was unusually grave. "I circled Alipang's campground and there was not a Moro in sight. We've played right into Alipang's hands. All the time we've been marching Alipang and his men—" He did not finish the sentence. "We've got to get back fast."

Behind the wall of his blindness, Hartley's mind was working doubly quick. "Yabo," he shouted, "set your men cutting bamboo. I want rafts. Enough rafts to carry the whole troop—we'll go by the river."

TO-MORROW THE ATTACK

13th Time Was Unlucky

Contraband Control Got Their Man

LONDON, Jan. 25 (Reuter).—A veteran Norwegian skipper, who boasted that he had slipped through the contraband control in the last war a dozen times, is now in a British port—tribute to the effectiveness of the British control this time.

His ship was brought in by the contraband control assisted by a seaplane which spotted his vessel near the Arctic and which wirelessed a patrol ship ahead to bring him in. The captain acknowledges in good spirit that he has been fairly and squarely treated.

Effect Of Hinted U.S. Navy Cuts

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25 (Reuter).—The Naval authorities announce that by limiting the financial authorisations recently granted under the Naval Expansion Programme to vessels which the Navy could build in two years, the sum of \$200,000,000 could be cut from the proposed \$800,000,000 Expansion Bill.

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Concessions By Soviets

In Return For Nazi Military Aid

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" PARIS, Jan. 25 (UP).—Press reports confirm that Russia has made important economic concessions to Germany, even involving mineral rights in Northern Russia, in exchange for a Nazi promise of general staff consultations in regard to Finland and the Balkans.

It is stated that consultations will be held this month in Moscow to discuss Nazi-Soviet collaboration in the face of the increased resistance of neutrals.

Russia has informed Germany that it is necessary for reasons of prestige that Russia conclude the campaign in Finland before attacking in any joint single operations in the Balkans or elsewhere.

The agreement resulted in German troops occupying the corridor of Polish Galicia on Monday.

Embarrassed Silence

Is Japan's Reaction To Wang's "Peace"

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" NEW YORK, Jan. 25 (UP).—"Embarrassed silence" has been Tokyo's only reaction to the peace terms reported to have been signed by Mr. Wang Ching-wei, says the New York Times.

Mr. Wang's pro-Japanese friends in Shanghai explain the gentlemen's agreement as "unofficial," with the approval of the Japanese Army.

"At a moment when Japan's civilian leaders want to rebuild friendship with the United States, these terms remind us of the mentality of Japanese military commanders. The absence of a Tokyo denial suggests that the Army still controls the Government's policy."

MORE MEN BEING CALLED UP

LONDON, Jan. 25 (Reuter).—The next batch of men to be called up for military service must register on February 17.

The order applies to men over 23 years of age but not yet 24, and those who have reached 24 since the last batch was called up.

It is expected that 250,000 men will be called up.

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STALIN WOULD LIKE TO FORGET TANNENBERG

(Continued from Page 4.)

He sent out his orders on a portable wireless in a code so elementary that they were promptly read and received in Hindenburg's camp even before they got to the Russians for whom they were intended.

Even if the Germans had merely played at fighting, the Russians would have lost Tannenberg. And for a long time the Germans did show all those signs of hesitation and doubt that nearly 1,000 miles away were losing them the battle of the Marne.

When the Germans finally did get to work they were faced not by an army but by a rabble—and a retreating rabble at that. With the exception of the XVth Corps, which fought nobly and well, the Russian forces had crumbled.

After desperate efforts to collect themselves and to escape from the marshes and forests, the Russians began to surrender in thousands. As prisoners, they at least hoped for a crust of bread, and even a little drinkable water.

By August 29, 1914, the whole pitiable affair was all over. At least 125,000 Russians were taken prisoner, and the Germans claimed 500 guns and immense supplies; but no food.

The story of Finland's earlier fight against the invading Soviet army is a fine one. It has never been well told, for the world was just a little tired of fighting in 1920—and war correspondents had exhausted their talents.

But a race that had only been a nation two years fought—and won.

Hindenburg's body at Tannenberg lies close by the huge German war memorial, which consists of eight towers 65ft. high, with an altar from which rises a huge sword.

Over the coffin of the dead soldier, Hitler pronounced a funeral oration five years ago. Said the man whose words have such weight with the German people: "Not for a century now will it be necessary for Germany again to defend her honour."

And Samsonov? Where is he buried?

On the night of August 23 he was on horseback, vainly trying to ride forward through the mass of his soldiers, stumbling backwards. He dismounted, walked into a wood. His staff heard a shot.

Samsonov was Russian to the end.

NINE-WORD WAR COMMUNIQUE

PARIS, Jan. 25 (Reuter).—To-night's French communique states that it was a quiet day on the whole with some artillery action.

NAZI FREIGHTER SCUTTLED

PARIS, Jan. 25 (Reuter).—The German freighter, Albert Janus, 1,600 tons, was scuttled on being intercepted by one of the French patrol ships.

A U-boat was successfully attacked by another French patrol ship.

German - Manchukuoan Trade Relations

BERLIN, Jan. 25 (Reuter).—Field Marshal Hermann Goering to-day received Mr. Aikawa, Chairman of the Manchukuoan company for building up heavy industry, and discussed with him the "promising" German-Manchukuoan trade relations.

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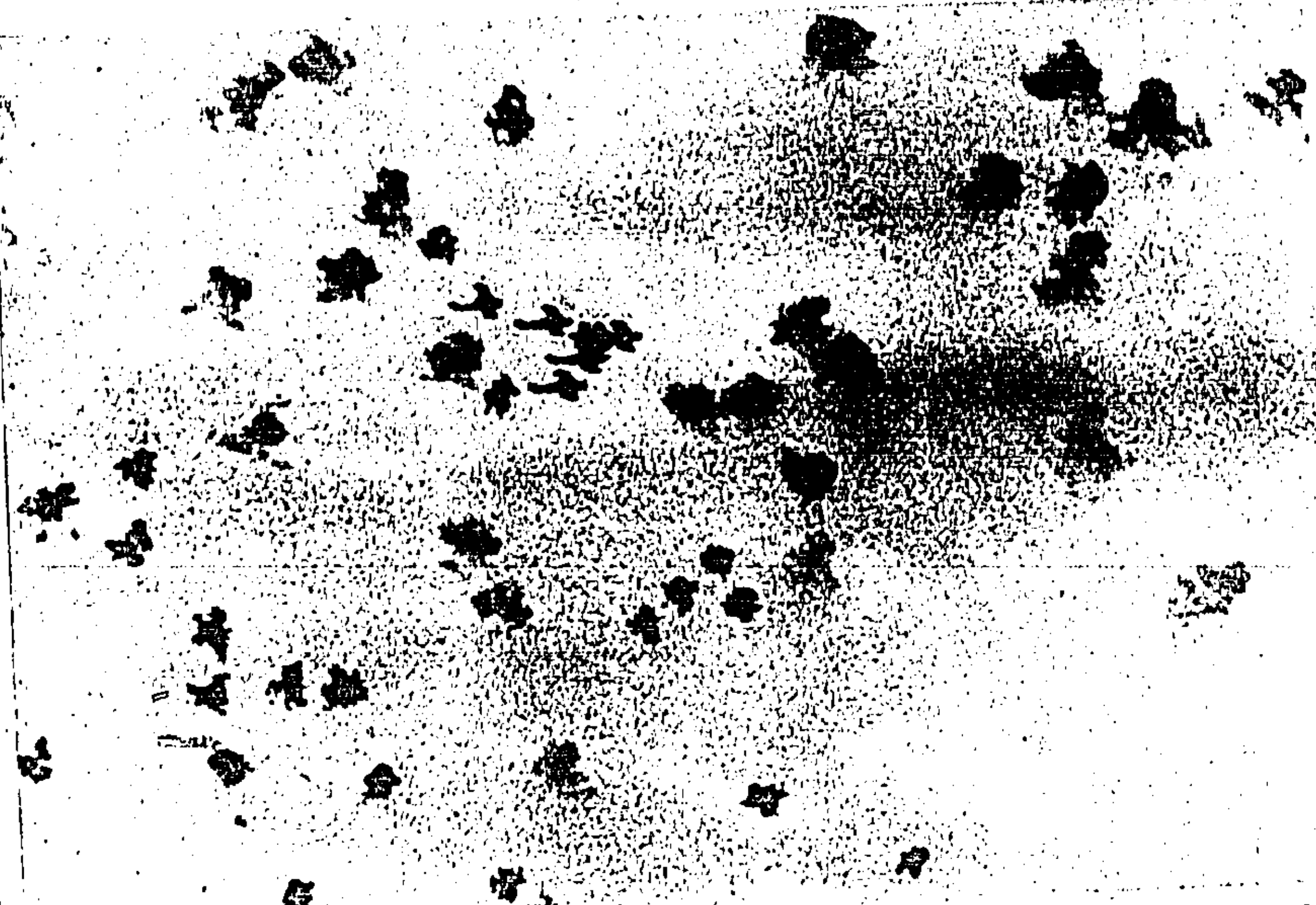
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ANOTHER AMAZING WAR PICTURE



THIS REMARKABLE PHOTOGRAPH, which was printed in yesterday's Final Edition of the "Telegraph" shows French anti-aircraft shrapnel bursting around a flight of German planes engaged in a reconnaissance flight over France. Although the caption does not say what happened to the German formation, it is extremely improbable that the Nazi machines would succeed in passing through the astonishing barrage of death shown here.—Domei Photo.

NAZIS ENCOURAGING PEACE PROPAGANDA

London.

The reports that the Vatican will support the "peace move" which is alleged to be imminent should be received with the greatest scepticism. There is no evidence at all that the Vatican considers the time ripe for mediatory action of any sort.

The only peace that could come about if negotiated now would be one that would leave the armed might of Germany intact. It would therefore mean a German victory.

Even if Germany were willing to concede to Poles and Czechs a certain measure of independence, she would still be the real master of the countries she has occupied.

A peace based on an apparent compromise between German and Allied war aims, therefore, would also mean a German victory—and one that would hold no guarantee against a resumption of hostilities and of further German conquests later on.

Fascist Wishes

The view taken by the Italian authorities with regard to mediation is rather different from that taken in the Vatican. City. The leading Fascists certainly do not desire a downright German victory. On the other hand, a "settlement" which would leave Poland, Bohemia-Moravia, and perhaps Austria with even a limited independence might give Italy opportunities of regaining an influence in Eastern and Central Europe.

A peace based on a compromise between Allied and German war aims is not regarded as wholly objectionable in Rome. There is no reason to suppose that a "peace move" is being planned in Rome, but the possibility should not be ruled out altogether.

Observing Effect

Some at least of the reports relating to an impending "peace move" are being spread by Germany. German industrialists and others who pass as moderates convey these reports to neutral countries.

KING TO GIVE BIBLES TO FIGHTING SERVICES

LONDON.—Thirty thousand Bibles and New Testaments, each containing a message from King George VI, are to be produced for the defence services, it was announced recently.

The message from the King states:

"To all serving in my forces by sea or land or in the air and indeed to all my people engaged in the defence of the realm I commend the reading of this book. For centuries the Bible has been a wholesome and strengthening influence in our national life, and it behoves us in these momentous days to turn with renewed faith to this divine source of comfort and inspiration."

The bibles are being printed with covers of three different colours—khaki for the soldiers, light blue for the Air Force, and dark blue for the Navy.

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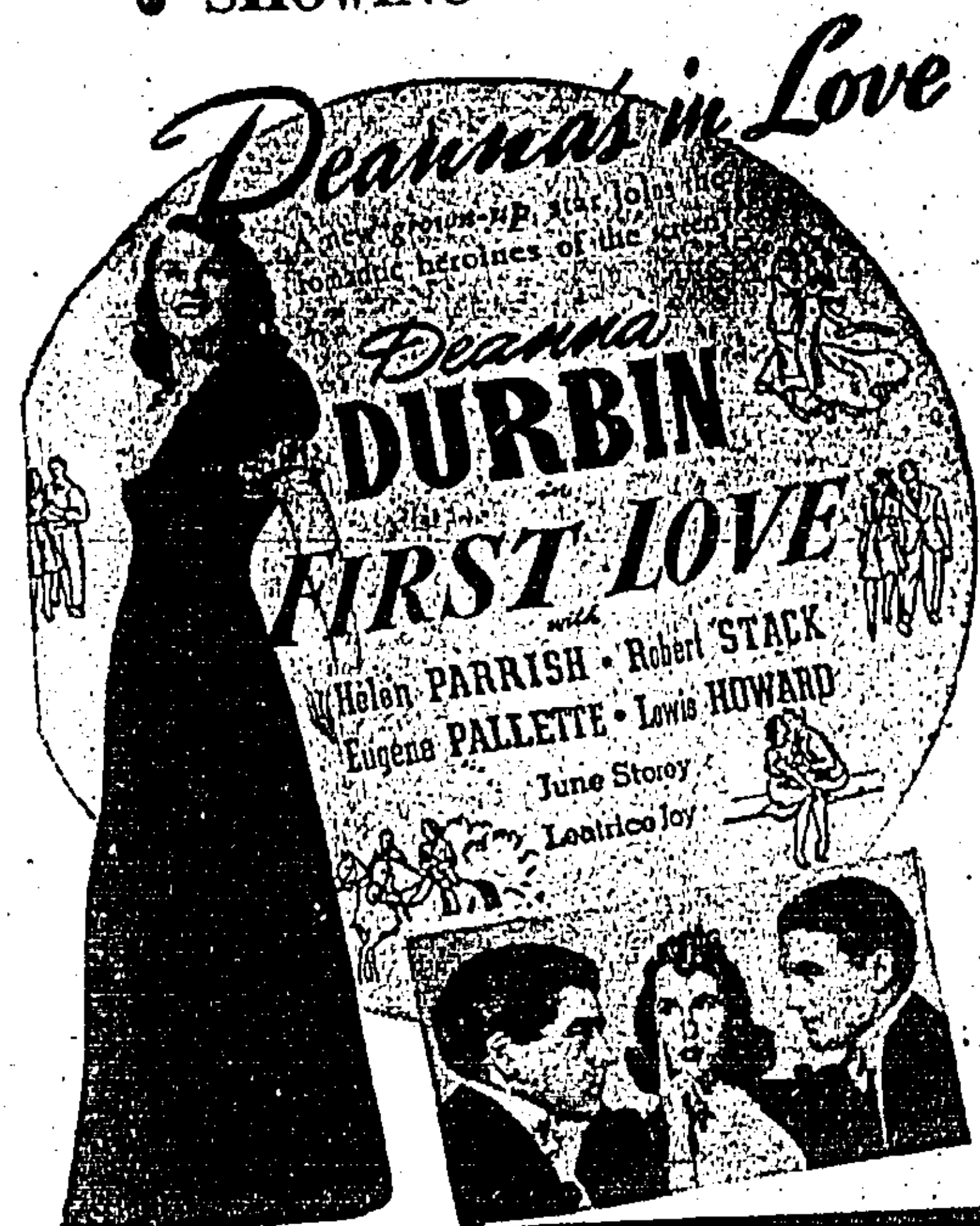
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Tokyo Hysteria Still Mounting

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
BRITAIN'S REPLY TO THE JAPANESE PROTESTS REGARDING THE ASAMA MARU INCIDENT IS EXPECTED TO BE DELIVERED IN TOKYO BEFORE THE WEEK-END, STATES A "UNITED PRESS" MESSAGE.

It is believed that the reply will be conciliatory, and will emphasise Great Britain's desire not to inconvenience Japanese shipping.

At the same time, Britain is expected to adhere to its contention that it acted in accordance with International Law.

It is understood that the British Note will discuss means of avoiding friction in future.

NAZI MANOEUVRE

A "United Press" message from Washington hints that the German Embassy, in order to embarrass Britain, has ordered German nationals to book passages on every Japanese vessel leaving the United States.

Japan has made preparations to prevent a recurrence of the Asama Maru incident, a naval spokesman declared yesterday.

He would not disclose what course the navy intended taking.

WINGSANG BOARDED

Almost simultaneously with this announcement, "Reuter" reports that the Jardine steamer Wingsang was boarded by Japanese in Foochow.

The officer commanding the Japanese boarding party told the captain of the Wingsang that they were boarding the British ship in retaliation for the Asama Maru incident.

"Japan's wrath has not been turned upon Sir Robert Craigie, who is charged with a 'coolly unfriendly act' in issuing a public statement regarding the Asama Maru.

JAPANESE NAVAL 'REPRISALS'

Hongkong Steamer Boarded

SHANGHAI, Jan. 26 (Reuter).—Announcing that they were boarding the ship "in retaliation for the Asama Maru incident," a Japanese party boarded the Indo China Steam Navigation Company's ship Wing Sang while lying off Foochow on Wednesday.

The incident was revealed to-day when a passenger told "Reuter": "The Wing Sang was at anchor outside Foochow on Wednesday when suddenly a Japanese gunboat nearby fired two shots over our bow."

"The Japanese came aboard and told the Captain that they were doing this in retaliation for the Asama Maru incident."

"Then, after a few minutes, the party calmly left the ship without even effecting a search."

Sir Robert is accused of committing a serious breach of diplomatic etiquette in issuing a statement to the Press before his Government's reply to the Japanese Note has been received.

According to Japanese reports, quoted by "United Press," an agitation has now started among Japanese political circles, urging the Japanese Government to demand the recall of the Ambassador.

Meanwhile, the Japanese Press is increasing its hysterical outbursts against Britain and everything British.

Yonai Now Suspect!
Even the new Japanese Government is suspect!

The "Kokumin Shinbun" declares that the Asama Maru incident was in reality a deep-laid plot between Admiral Yonai, the new Premier, and Britain.

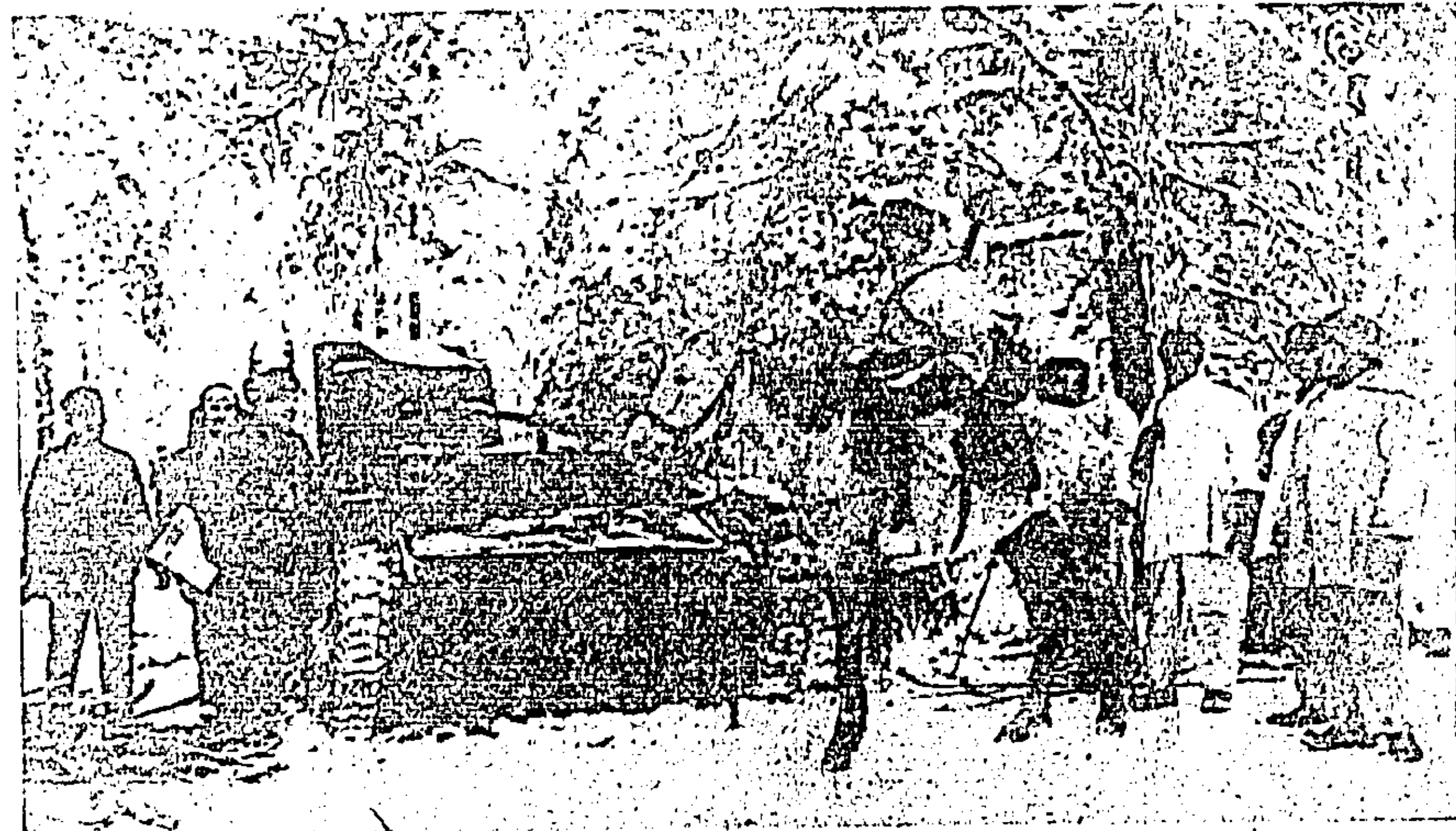
"Admiral Yonai is noted for his pro-British tendencies," the newspaper alleges.
"When Britain seized the German passengers aboard the Asama Maru, she did so with the intention of ultimately making a concession to Japan, and delivering them to us."

"By these means, Britain would give Admiral Yonai a diplomatic victory and would strengthen a friendly Cabinet."

"The manoeuvre is nothing but a conspiracy."

Political Issue
The Asama Maru incident may, however, become a major political issue in Japan.

The leading party in the Diet, the Seiyukai Party, has moved to re-



MAJOR ISSUE?

More Demonstrations Outside Embassy

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

TOKYO, Jan. 26 (UP).—Fears that the Asama Maru incident would become a major political issue in Japan were heightened to-day, when the General Committee of the reformist faction of the Seiyukai, the second largest political party, advocated the summoning of a special session of the Diet to discuss the "deliberate British affront to Japan's national prestige."

Decision has been withheld, pending consultation with other political groups.

It is hoped by the reformist faction that all parties will join in making the demand for convocation of the Diet unanimous.

Embassy Demonstrations

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
TOKYO, Jan. 26 (Domel).—Revolutions, protests and demonstrations continue to be directed to the British Embassy.

Members of the Tokyo Municipal Assembly, which led the anti-British campaign last summer, have adopted resolutions denouncing Great Britain for "trespassing on the rights of a neutral nation."

The resolution urges the Japanese Government to retaliate against the "political action of the British Navy" by exercising her rights as a belligerent in China.

The members of the Assembly presented a copy of the resolution to the British Embassy.

Another demonstration was staged outside the Embassy by the Japan Youth's Party, which presented a written resolution demanding the immediate release of the 21 Germans captured aboard the Asama Maru, and demanding apologies from the British Government and the withdrawal of all British warships from waters near Japan.

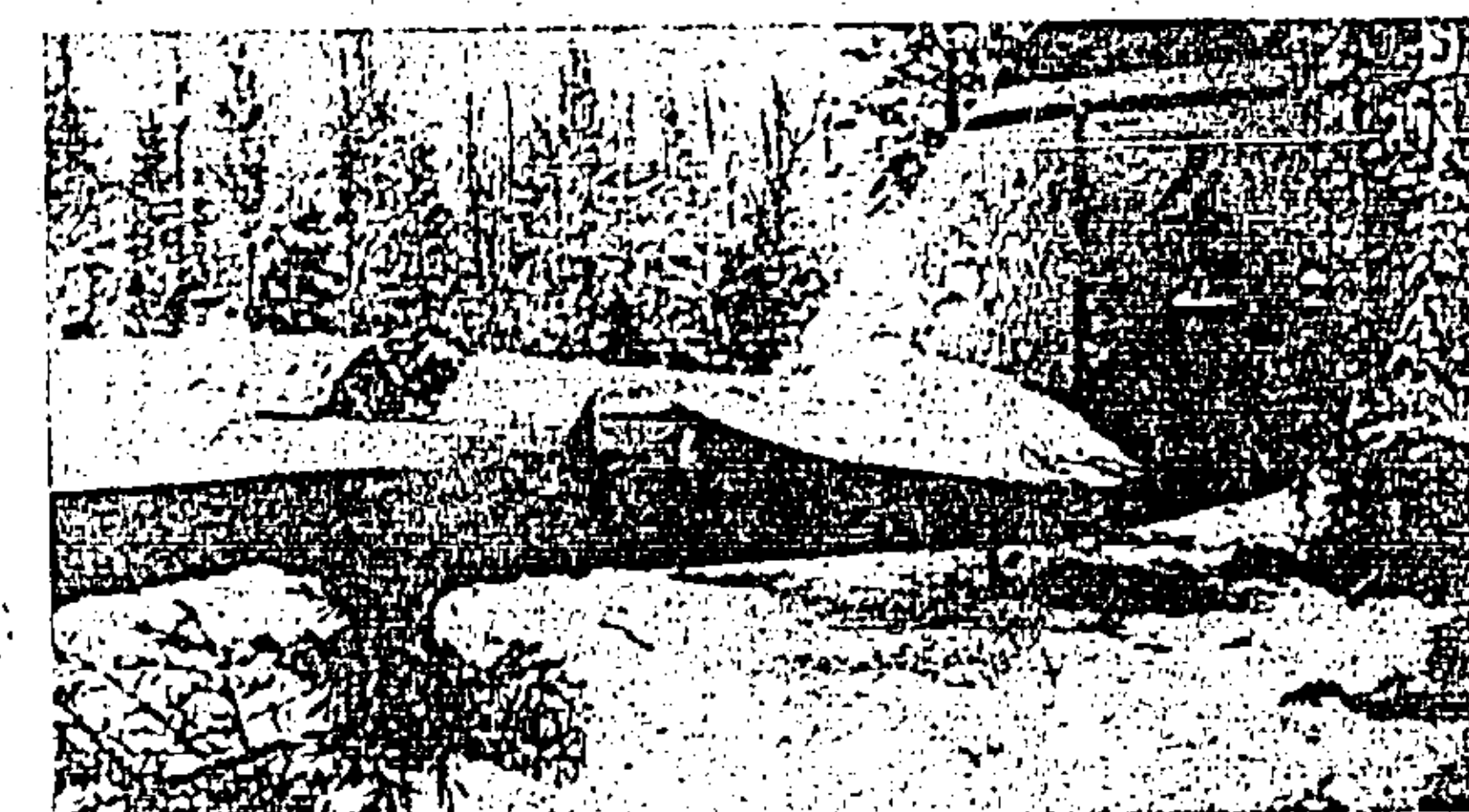
Another protest was lodged by representatives of the New Asia Youth Movement.

RAIDER'S CMDR. IN TOKYO

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

BERLIN, Jan. 25 (Domel).—Rear Admiral Wencker, until recently Commander of the 10,000-ton pocket battleship Deutschland, has been appointed Naval Attaché to the German Embassy at Tokyo.

Rear Admiral Wencker was formerly Assistant Naval Attaché to the Embassy at Tokyo for three years.



THESE PHOTOGRAPHS graphically indicate the Arctic conditions under which Russian and Finnish troops are battling in Finland. Photograph above shows a Russian tank captured by the Finns in the Petsamo area. BELOW.—A Russian bomber brought down by Finnish anti-aircraft fire near Helsinki.—Domel Photos.

Big Russian Offensive Dies Away: Arctic Attack

HELSINGFORS, Jan. 25 (Reuter).—A Finnish war communiqué states that in the Karelian Isthmus the situation is relatively quiet. Activity is limited to reconnaissance and harassing artillery fire.

North of Lake Ladoga, the enemy has continued attacks all day.

The most violent fighting occurred at Alttajoki. The attacks were repelled with great losses to the enemy.

Last night the enemy began to attack at Kollonjoki. The attack was repelled during the night with brief intervals, and before daybreak, it was finally repulsed.

As in recent battles, the enemy again lost several hundred men.

In Lapland, the enemy attacked Finnish positions at Inarijärvi but were repulsed. At Petsamo, the enemy attacked twice without result.

Owing to the snow, there was no aerial activity except some bombing attacks of little importance at Kuusamo and the archipelago, and Anjala Islands.

Red Bombs Kill 51
HELSINGFORS, Jan. 26 (Reuter).—Fifty-one persons were killed in Finland yesterday by Soviet bombing raids directed against Suomussalmi and other civilian centres in Eastern Finland.

Soviet raiders are apparently carrying on a campaign against steamers in the Gulf of Bothnia, as three more Finnish steamers were attacked yesterday. Two were damaged but made port.

Economic Minister Is Demanded
LONDON, Jan. 25 (British Wireless).—A motion tabled by the Labour Opposition urging the appointment of a minister specially charged with the function of planning the use, to the best advantage for a successful prosecution of the war, of the nation's economic resources will be debated in the Commons next Thursday.

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
CONSIDERABLE interest has been aroused by the developments in both Switzerland and Sweden.

A "Reuter" message from Stockholm reports that the U.S. Minister to Sweden has circularised all American residents, urging them to make arrangements to leave the country as soon as possible.

Simultaneously, from Zurich comes a "United Press" message, stating that it is officially announced that the Swiss Army Staff has completed plans for the evacuation of civilians.

It is announced that the Swiss measures are merely precautionary, and do not indicate any "worsening of the situation."

"Reuter" reports from Stockholm that the U.S. Minister there has stressed the desirability of women and children leaving at the earliest possible moment.

as in Switzerland, the "measure is purely precautionary."

It has been inspired, however, by reports that German troops are concentrating on the German Baltic shores.

Netherlands Makes Position Clear

AMSTERDAM, Jan. 25 (Reuter).—The determination of the Netherlands to adhere to strict neutrality was expressed in the First Chamber by the Foreign Minister to-day.

Whoever takes up arms against the Netherlands will be met by armed forces.

Military precautions were, necessary when foreign forces were near the frontier, and the country took these on all sides. He deplored the light-hearted way in which possible attacks on neutrals are discussed because this deadened moral values.

He hoped that the League of Nations might take on a new life were not yet exhausted, he said. There was no moral or juridical obligation on members as neutrals to take part in the war.

New Call For Peace
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

THE HAGUE, Jan. 25 (UP).—The Foreign Minister, M. van Kesteren, sounded a new call for European peace in his speech to Parliament to-day.

He warned the belligerents to respect Dutch neutrality and avoid harming Dutch trade and territorial integrity.

"They say the time for peace has not yet come, but what is the use of fighting if both sides fight an enemy they cannot destroy?" he asked.

The Netherlands government, he said, was convinced that its course was one of strict neutrality.

"It is up to us to remain out of the war."

"One thing is certain. Whoever takes up arms against us will meet our arms."

He summoned the Dutch people to endure sacrifices and increase their defensive strength and warned possible aggressors in Europe.

"As long as this nation is willing to give up everything for its integrity, its territory and its independence, no big Power can allow itself to see our territory in the hands of others in Europe or Asia."

U.S. Appointment

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt has nominated Mr. Louis Compton to be Assistant Secretary of the Navy in succession to Mr. Charles Edison, who was appointed Secretary of the Navy last month.

Mr. Compton was special assistant to Mr. Edison when the latter was Assistant Navy Secretary.

U.S. CANNOT SUPPLY ENOUGH WARPLANES

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25 (UP).—Because American manufacturers are unable to produce the required number of engines, the Allied Purchasing Committee may have to be satisfied with 8,000 American war-planes.

The Commission originally contemplated placing orders for 10,000 machines.

Mr. Henry Morgenthau, Secretary of the Treasury, reveals that production of aero engines in the United States is at present sufficient to meet only current domestic and foreign needs.

Factories may not be able to handle the heavy demands anticipated for the future, he said.

"Naturally, we are going to see that our own needs are taken care of first," he said.

WARSAW NOT TO BE REBUILT

Nazi Atrocities In Poland Confirmed

LONDON, Jan. 25 (Reuter).—Confirmation of part of the Vatican City broadcast of German atrocities in Poland is borne out by an account given to a neutral journalist in Berlin by one of two non-military people allowed to travel through the area since the war began.

He spoke of the widespread devastation and said that most crops were left untouched. Farms were abandoned because their owners had disappeared.

Compulsory Labour
In the hope of improving matters, the Nazis are enforcing compulsory labour on the Poles and Jews.

The attitude of the Poles is indicated in an article appearing in the official Nazi organ, "Voelkische Beobachter," which in reporting that 53 bridges had been repaired by German troops, says that the workers were molested by Polish guerrillas who shot at them.

Workers repairing communications, continues the paper, must also fight the element of sabotage.

Many villages "had to be burnt down" because Polish snipers fired from them on German troops.

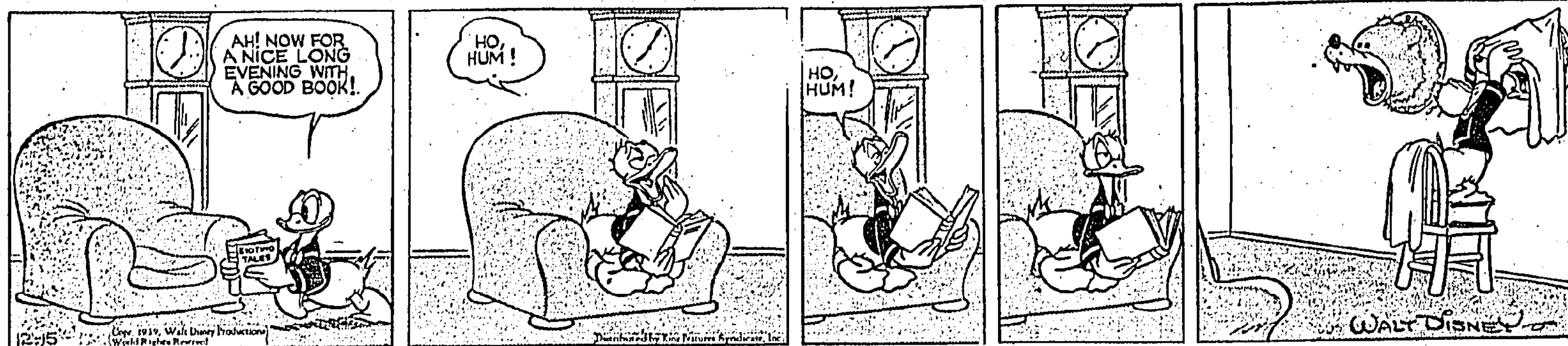
Warsaw, which was three quarters damaged in the siege, is not expected to be rebuilt.

LATEST

See Back Page For Further Late News

A Grand Gala Dance will be held at the Kowloon Tong Garden Club Association on Chinese New Year Eve from 8.30 p.m. to 2 a.m. The many attractions arranged for the evening include vocal numbers by well-known artistes, dances, streamers, crackers etc. Music will be supplied by a first class Filipino swing band.

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AUCKLAND.

There might be no war for all the disruption it has caused to everyday life in New Zealand. There are no black-outs, no gas-masks, no air-raid shelters.

Nevertheless New Zealand is not taking its commitments lightly.

Its people feel they are as deeply involved as their kinsmen in Britain, and they are prepared to go step by step with them in effort and sacrifice, although these must necessarily take different forms from those of people in the immediate theatre of war.

There is no hint of the feeling some predicted would be evident, that this is a European war and New Zealand can sit back in safety at the end of the world and let Europe fight it out. In the last war New Zealand enlisted no fewer than 124,000 men for overseas service from a population of about 1,000,000. That number will be exceeded with the large present-day population if necessary.

Eager For Service

The troops are eager to take an active part in the war. News that the division now undergoing training will go overseas and not remain on local guard duty has been received with enthusiasm by the men and has given an impetus to recruiting.

There is similar eagerness to participate in the Empire air scheme. New Zealanders have been proved to make good pilots, and several have already distinguished themselves in the R.A.F. since war started. New Zealand had completed arrangements to train a large number of pilots annually for the R.A.F. shortly before the outbreak of war, so that she is well equipped to prepare pilots for the further training they will receive in Canada.

The Dominion will be able to play a much larger part in supplying Britain with essential raw materials and food-stuffs than in the last war. Exports, particularly of dairy produce and meat have increased enormously since then, and to-day New Zealand is one of Britain's largest suppliers of such important commodities as meat, butter, cheese, and wool.

The Debit Side

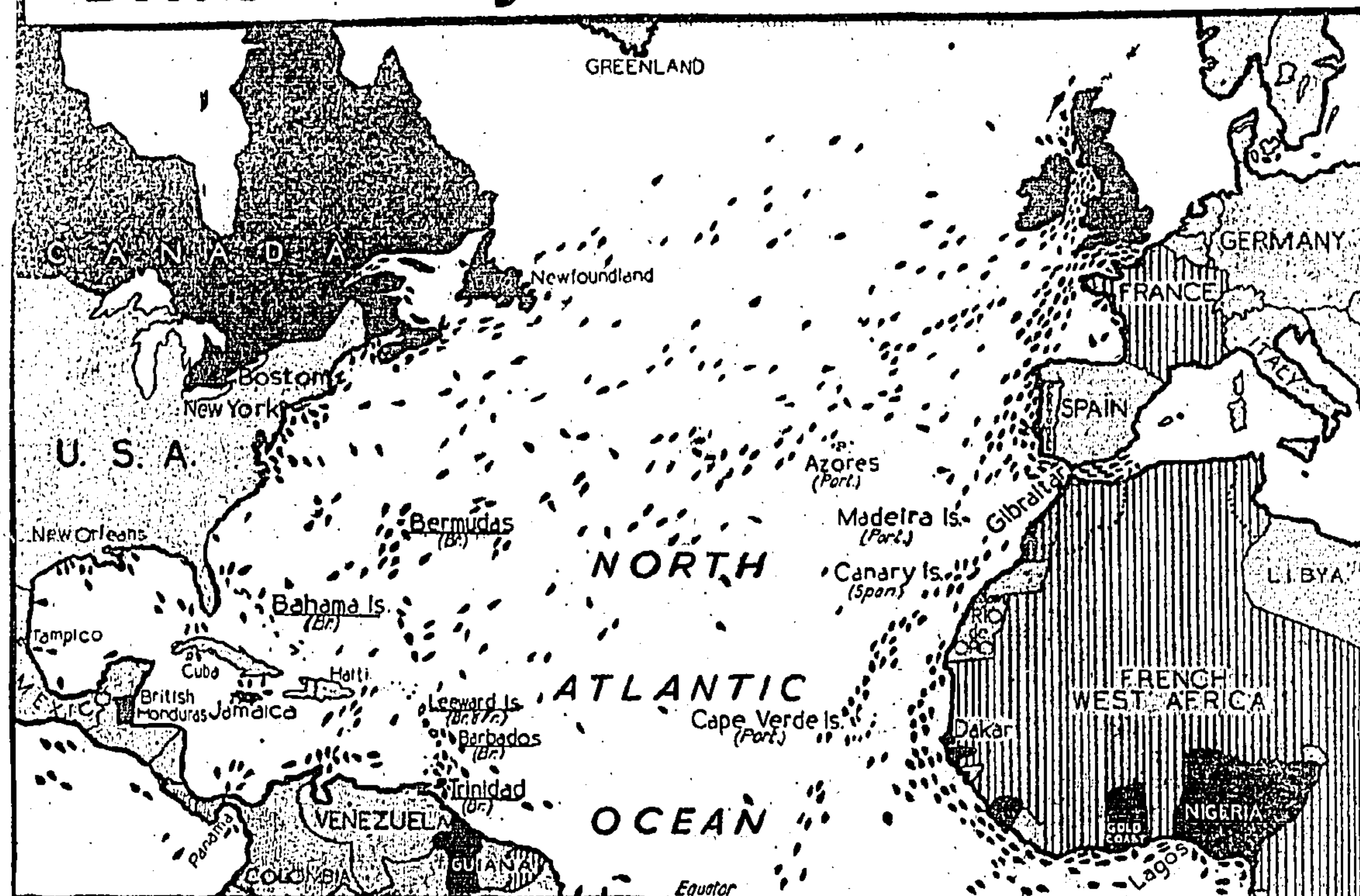
On the debit side New Zealand is bereft of sterling funds, which is likely to prove a handicap in financing troops and airmen abroad, and she is also in an unfavourable position with regard to supplies of imported goods as a result of the exchange shortage. The war has had very little effect on imports so far, but import restrictions have devalued the country of all reserve stocks, leaving little to fall back upon if shipments are interrupted.

The Government, however, within the limitations of difficulties—it must be confessed—of its own causing, is making a sincere attempt to push New Zealand's war effort ahead, and in that it has the complete and unqualified support of every section of the community.

10,000 New Zealanders To Be Trained

WELLINGTON (N.Z.).—Broadcasting on the Empire Air Scheme, the Minister of Defence, Mr. F. Jones, said that New Zealand had undertaken its first objective to provide almost 10,000 men for training as pilots, observers, and gunners. New Zealand's training resources would, he added, be "used to the fullest extent, and personnel in ex-

British Navy Protects Them Now



When war broke out Britain had 18½ million tons of merchant shipping afloat and with all the much-vaunted U-boat campaign we have lost less than 1½ per cent. of that total. Map shows position and actual number of British ships over 3,000 tons in the North Atlantic on any average day just before the war. British Possessions shown in black; French vertically shaded. This map was prepared from an Admiralty chart.

Pro. Haldane On Limit Of Explosives

PROFESSOR J. B. S. HALDANE exploded some theories on explosives in a lecture at Birkbeck College, E.C.

It was unlikely, he said, that a super explosive would be invented within a generation or two. There were theoretical reasons for believing that it was impossible to get much more energy into a given volume by chemical means than already exists in various explosives.

In The Boer War

"It is significant," he continued, "that there has been no fundamental advance in the design of explosives in the last 40 years. Explosives used in the Boer War are still in use to-day."

There was considerable lack of knowledge about elementary facts concerning the scientific technique of war. That ignorance was found not only among the general public, but also among those members of our ruling class who were not immediately concerned with the problems.

"Unfortunately as a result of that very grave error has been made. The war would become much more scientific than it was now if both sides used to the fullest extent the destructive resources which science had put into their hands. The war would cease to be dominated by political considerations.

cess of local training capacity would complete courses in Canada. A greater proportion of pilots would have advanced training here, while gunners and observers would have only a ground course; but New Zealand could continue the training of gunners and observers till Canada was able to take them.

There were, Mr. Jones added, already 800 New Zealand airmen serving overseas, some who served in the Great War holding senior appointments. The New Zealand cost in the Canadian scheme would be £7,000,000 for a three-years' term, and they were also meeting air costs in New Zealand, estimated at £12,000,000 during the next three years.

5,911 Ships Convoyed --Only 12 Lost

THE Navy have convoyed 5,911 ships during the war, and have lost only twelve to enemy action—either mine or submarine.

This equals 0.2 per cent. of loss. On one convoy route alone 12,000,000 tons of shipping, worth £500,000,000 without the cargoes, have been escorted in sixteen weeks with an even smaller loss than 0.2 per cent.

Only one British steamer, the Box Hill, was lost last week, and one trawler was blown up by a mine becoming entangled in the trawl.

The French Navy have convoyed 1,080 vessels, with the loss of only two.

Alien Boys Resent Pay

LONDON.—Alien children, working from dawn to dusk to help Britain grow more food, take offence if they are offered money for what they are doing.

That is the spirit of Polish and German boy refugees brought to England by the Earl Baldwin Fund. They are giving their help to English farmers, and look on the work in the fields as their opportunity to serve the country which gave them haven.

Many of them are so earnest about it that they almost resent any farmer's attempt even to give them pocket-money.

Altogether 160 boys and girls aged between 14 and 16, are housed in Gwyrch Castle, lent by the Earl of Darnley, at Abergele, North Wales. There they live with 40 grown-ups who accompanied them on their flight.

As boys work in the fields, girls are busy in the farmhouses.

Some of the boys work on the huge, overgrown estate which surrounds the castle, cutting up trees and bushes to make firewood to heat them through the winter. The women are putting in order the huge rooms and passages of their new home after 10 years of disuse.

Lady Cynthia's 'burglar' enlists

LADY CYNTHIA COLVILLE, Lady-in-Waiting to Queen Mary, has led one of the underworld's most skilful burglars from crime to restitution.

EMPIRE AIR SCHEME

Squadrons To Retain Identity

One of the features of the agreement governing the Empire Air Training Scheme, which was signed in Ottawa on Sunday, is that the squadrons manned by personnel from the Dominions will be identified by name with these. Dominions when they move to the theatres of war. Another feature of great importance is that all pilots will go through the full syllabus of training as laid down by the Central Flying School. This will guarantee that nobody will be required to fight the enemy in the air until he has attained full competence.

Canada is the place on which the training centres; but training will also be done in Australia and New Zealand, with the result that modern types of aircraft will be in use in these countries. The interchange of men from the Dominions, large numbers of whom will come together in Canada for their final training, is likely still further to increase the cohesion of the Empire. Moreover, both Australia and New Zealand will be able to build up their air strength.

The administration of the joint training programme in Canada will be in the hands of the Canadian Government. Canada has many advantages as an air training centre. There are plenty of aerodrome sites and the weather is good. When there is snow it can be made suitable for the operation of wheeled aircraft by loughing and rolling. Sky conditions are not therefore needed. Only for about four weeks in the year, during the thaw, are the conditions such that they are likely

Recently Ernest X., whose personal file in Scotland Yard's Rogues' Gallery is one of the bulkiest, walked into his basement room in Shoreditch, and flung a newspaper on the ground.

"I'm going to join up," he said to his pale, drawn wife.

When Lady Cynthia first met Ernest he was all over the country.

Regularly she dropped in to see him. She helped him to find a job as a labourer and he promised her he would never go back to crime again. He worked hard and long.

To-day Ernest is still a labourer, but he is working in dungarees to help the country in which he was once a pariah.

LAMBETH TALKS POSTPONED

NEW YORK (AP).—Announcement of postponement of the Lambeth Conference of Episcopal and Anglican Bishops was received by Presiding Bishop Henry St. George Tucker of the Episcopal Church.

The notification, from the Archbishop of Canterbury, said the conference was put off owing to the outbreak of war.

Coinciding with the announcement, the Episcopal Church's Commission on Approaches to Unity issued a statement declaring it was "unanimous in believing that no such goal as organic union with the Presbyterians can be achieved in a short period of time. It will inevitably take many years."

to preclude flying training, and a meteorological study has shown that the balance is strongly in favour of Canada, as compared with Great Britain.

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1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Maria Eggerth (Soprano) and New Mayfair Orchestra.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Compositions of Grieg—Sonata in C Minor, Op. 45, Sergei Rachmaninoff (Piano) and Fritz Kreisler (Violin); Norwegian Dance in D Major, Op. 35, Gustave Cloez and L'Orchestre Philharmonique de Paris.

2.15 Close Down.

6.00 Compositions of Massenet—Elegie, Georges Thill (Tenor) with Orchestra; Cello Solo by Krabansky; Thais—Meditation, Mischa Elman (Violin) with Piano accomp.; O Nature, Full Of Grace, Georges Thill (Tenor) with Orchestra; "Le Cid" Ballet Music, New Symphony Orchestra cond. by Eugene Goossens.

6.27 Light French Songs by Thio Ross and Lys Gauty.

6.45 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.47 Chopin—Andante Spianato and Grande Polonaise Brillante, Op. 22, Louis Kentner (Piano).

7.03 Compositions of Mendelssohn—Scherzo (from "Quartet in E Minor," Op. 44, No. 2), Canzonetta (from "Quartet in E Flat," Op. 12), Lerner String Quartet; Hear My Prayer, Choir of The Temple Church, London; Organist, G. Thalben Ball; Soloist, Master E. Lough; "A Midsummer Night's Dream"—Overture, Berlin State Opera Orchestra cond. by Dr. Leo Blech.

7.30 London Relay—The News.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Mozart—Quintet in D Major, Pro Arte Quartet with Alfred Hobday (2nd Violin).

8.25 Eric Coates—Four Ways Suite, New Light Symphony Orchestra conducted by Joseph Lewis.

8.40 Studio—Recital by Helen Lockhart (Contralto) and E. O'Neill Shaw (Piano).—(a) Sweet Rose and Lily ("Theodora"—Handel). (b) Silent Worship (Handel, arr. Somervell). (c) Sombre Woods (arr. Lully). (d) Morning Hymn (Hensselt).

Helen Lockhart with Piano accomp. by E. O'Neill Shaw; Piano Solo—Selected, E. O'Neill Shaw; (a) A Birthday (Huntingdon Woodman). (b) The Waters of Minnetonka (Laurance). (c) My Ships (Barratt). Helen Lockhart with Piano accomp. by E. O'Neill Shaw.

9.05 Reginald Foot at the Organ.

9.15 London Relay—News Summary.

9.30 London Relay—"World Affairs."

9.45 Dance Music.

10.00 Studio—"The Beauty of England"—5: The Yorkshire Dales—The fifth of a series of talks by the Very Rev. The Dean of Hongkong.

10.25 Variety with Mary Ellis, Billy Mayerl, Oliver Wakefield, Gertrude Lawrence, and Others.

11.00 Close Down.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary issued yesterday says: There is nothing in particular to record as a result of to-day's small trading.

Buyers

H.K. Bank \$1,300

H.K. Mines 3 cts

Lands \$334

Star Ferries \$87

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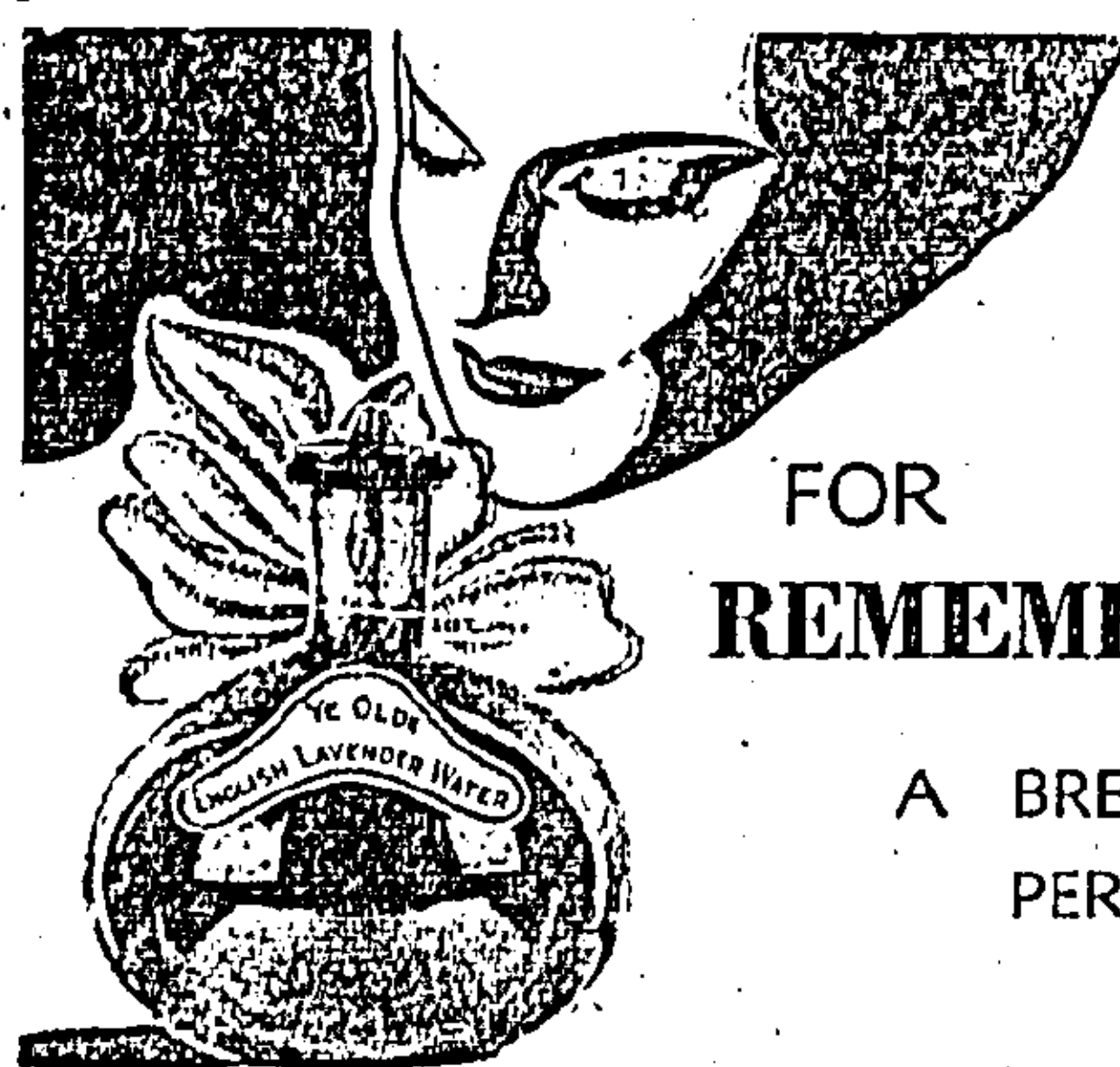
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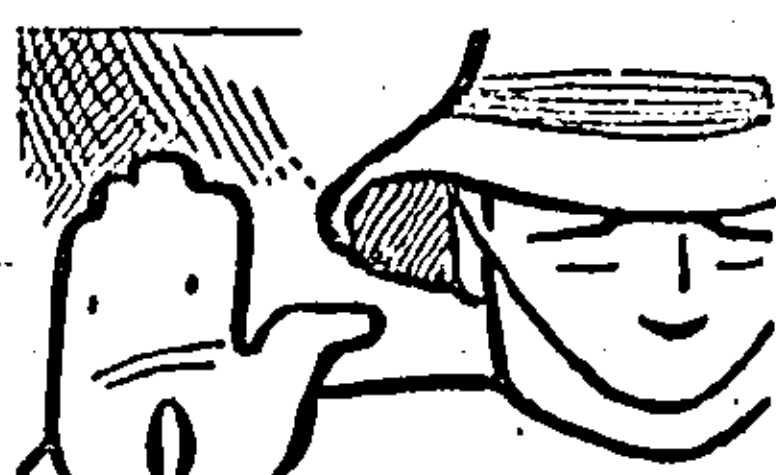


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War and Culture

ONE of the worst features of modern war and modern international rivalry is that nations are made to suffer in mind as well as in body.

For totalitarian war imitates the totalitarian State and destroys or tries to destroy everything that can keep memory and imagination alive.

A few months ago the Germans wreaked their anger on the most ancient of the Czech universities: a university that had been respected even in the most bitter phases of the quarrel between Czech and German as the home of Czech culture.

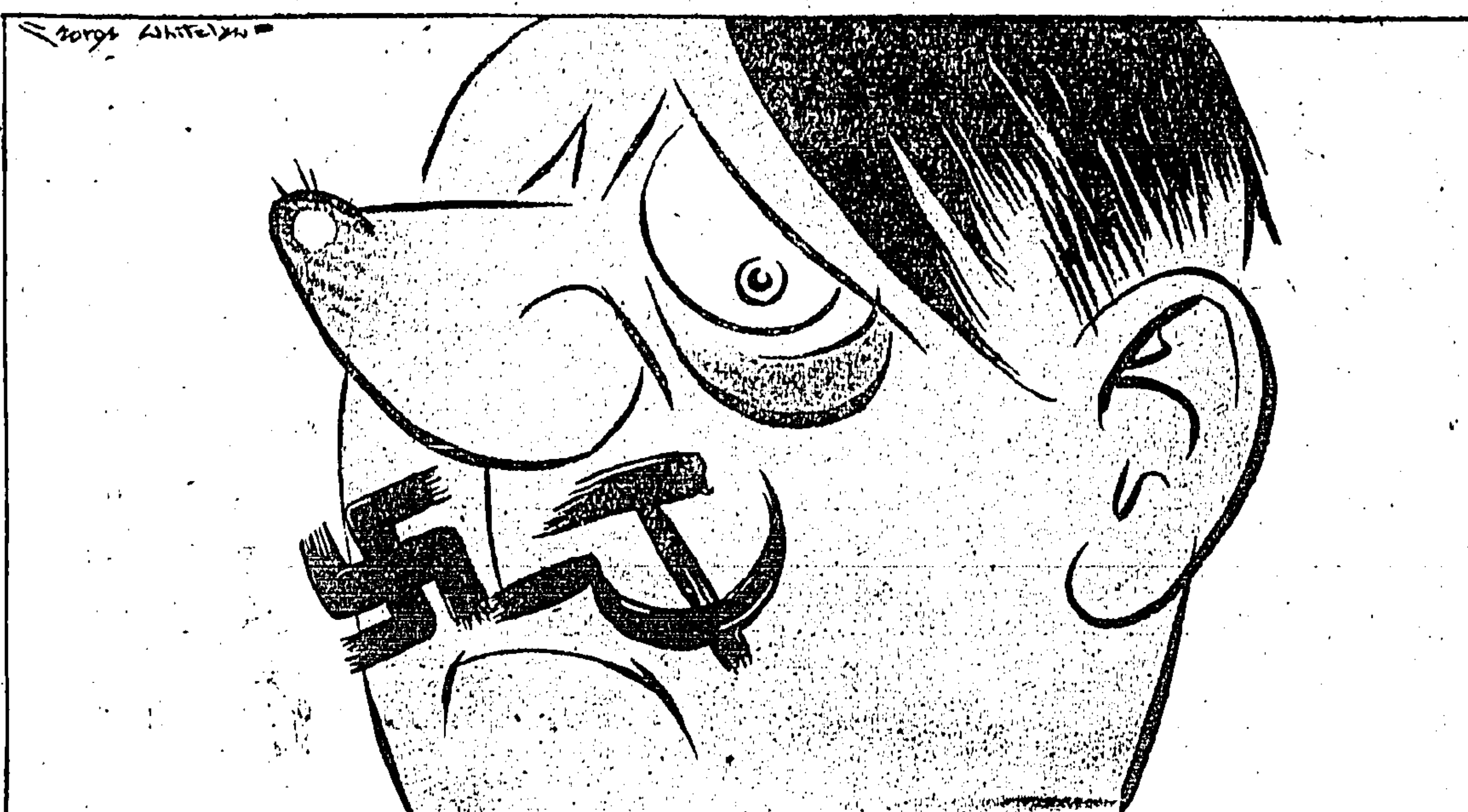
They have now dismantled the interior of Belvedere Palace at Warsaw, the museum in which Pilsudski's memory was cherished, turning the chapel into a music-room.

The Lithuanian Government, following this bad example, has closed the Polish University at Vilna, a university established in the sixteenth century.

The racial rivalries of Eastern Europe and the Balkans have been seen at their worst in the persecutions of language, religion, and university, and now the most powerful State in Central Europe is making savage intolerance in this form the basis of its policy.

Yet this Power thinks that it is fitted for the hegemony of Europe.

The contrast between the behaviour of Nazi Germany to Czech universities and that of the Republic of Czechoslovakia to German universities shows how sadly the standard of civilised government must decline wherever Germany spreads her rule.



In view of the shortage of soap in Germany, which is likely to cause a renewed wave of moustache-growing, Hitler will doubtless inaugurate this new fashion—

THE SWASTICKLE

Stalin Would Like To Forget TANNENBERG

The Russian debacle in Finland was described by Webb Miller, "United Press" War Correspondent, yesterday as the greatest Russian debacle since Tannenberg. Tannenberg was not so much a victory for German arms as an overwhelming defeat for the Russian fighting machine.

stickly August. Railways in Poland were few and far between—as they are to this day. The Russians have never yet managed to run a railway properly, and perhaps—now that they have taken to the air—never will.

Ammunition and food began to run out, and Samsonov's reconnaissance work was deplorable.

Twenty-five years ago this morning Samsonov knew so little of the whereabouts of Rennenkampf's other Russian army that he firmly believed that the pioneer-like movement was in progress. Actually, he was hourly-drawing farther away from Rennenkampf! The pioneer was opening, not closing.

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IT was at Tannenberg, in the last week of August, 1914, that the efficiency of the Great Russian Steam Roller was first exploded by the Germans with a disastrous bang which has not yet ceased to echo.

The real truth—happily for the Allies—reached the world slowly in 1914. It still makes gruesome reading. Tannenberg was, in short, less of a victory for Germany than it was an overwhelming defeat for the Russian fighting machine.

Indeed, the story of those few August days of 25 years ago illustrates perfectly the curious feckless strain in the Russian nature.

Brilliant Ludendorff

THE years before the war the plans for an attack of East Prussia had been carefully laid. Two Russian armies were to march against the Germans north and south of a line of marshy lakes. The principal army was led by one Samsonov.

It was typical of the Russians you see the same thing happening in Finland to-day that Samsonov knew nothing of the army he had to command, knew nothing of the staff given him, and had been hauled back from the Caucasus to supervise an attack which should have been carefully rehearsed by the man in charge.

The other Russian commander was Rennenkampf, and his army was at first so successful that the German General Prittwitz funkied an engagement and was promptly superseded. This was on August 21.

Whereupon the German High Command at Coblenz, on the other side of Europe, were rather up a tree. They detached a brilliant tactician called Ludendorff, packed him into a special northbound train, and then looked around for some senior officer to command the East Prussian troops.

Someone suggested the name of Hindenburg, a 68-years-old general pottering around Hanover in civilian clothes, for he had retired in 1911.

Ludendorff's train stopped at Hanover long enough to take Hindenburg on board, and off they went.

The Russian Debacle

THEY were luckier than poor Samsonov. By the time they reached East Prussia the German staff had

automatically righted the things that Prittwitz had left undone. But the Russian debacle had already started.

Samsonov's big and cumbersome army had been marching about the Polish plains for a fortnight. It was a hot and

Now a word about the French...

BY SPIKE
HUGHES

IT is one of the ironies of this very odd war that we know more of the character of our present enemies than of our present allies.

So I thought that a few words about the French might come in handy, especially as quite a number of you may have to share a trench with them sometime.

The French, being a democratic nation with the not-easy-to-live-up-to motto, "Liberty, Equality, Fraternity" (you'll find that inscribed on the money when you get to France), are not so conveniently to be divided into classes as, for instance, the Germans.

To the average Englishman, indeed, there is only one class of Frenchman at all. He wears a tall silk hat, a little pointed beard, punctuates his wild gesticulations with witty little remarks like "Zut alors!" and "Hein?", and spends the greater part of his life glorifying La Femme (English: The Woman).

The day he passes, seated in a café, reading "riskier" magazines; the night he devotes to unspeakable revelry, which is saved being thought "wicked" by the Frenchman's characteristic charm, wit and "naughtiness."

In fact, however, this typical Frenchman has only ever existed in English comic papers, so that the real Frenchman may prove something of a disappointment when you meet him.

CHARM and wit the Frenchman most certainly have, and for all their superficial excitability they are perhaps the most tolerable of all races.

If you are patient with them they will do almost anything for you; and more than that if you know any fondness for their children.

prove of those who don't, they are too good mannered to say so.

From this class come the French Civil servants and shopkeepers. The shopkeepers you will find particularly friendly and willing to pass the time of day, but do remember to say "Bon jour" when you enter the shop, and "Au revoir" when you leave. It suggests that your shopping is also a social pleasure.

Little courtesies like this on your part will work wonders, and if the shopkeeper hasn't got what you want he will be only too pleased to tell you where you can get it. He may even send somebody to get it for you if he sees that you're a stranger in those parts.

THE Civil servant, or small-time official class of Frenchman, appears somewhat inhumanly bureaucratic at first; but a smile, a little tact and patience will reveal that he is an individual with a sense of humour and a genuine desire to be helpful.

Since French prohibition, of course, it will not be so easy to distinguish one class from another, but I doubt if even a uniform will completely disguise the Young Blood.

This class of young man has a streak of the glib in him. In peace time he drives around in a gaily coloured car, dresses with rather exaggerated chic, smokes American cigarettes and takes a passionate interest in le sport and le jeu hot.

He is A Bit of A One for Les girls, and will tell you with pride and some detail of his alleged conquests. You, as a guest in his country, will of course listen with interest and appear impressed. By doing so you will help the Frenchman to maintain what he thinks is his reputation among the English.

professional French soldier. He is a cultured, unaggressive person who goes about his job with a remarkable lack of fuss and bother. He has no particular political views, hates war, loves his country passionately, and is thoroughly good company.

If anything goes wrong he is more likely to laugh than not. Like the French pilot who hit the top of a hedge taking-off in his plane and crashed. He got out of a severely buckled machine, scratched his head and remarked: "Well, isn't that funny? Exactly the same thing happened yesterday."

A class apart in France are the mechanics. They wear berets and white boiler suits, and in spite of a deal of excited discussion and argument will tear an engine to pieces and put it back better than when it left the factory. They are probably the best mechanics in the world.

French children are not much different from other children, except that while you are struggling with your Hugo's, they seem to have no difficulty in speaking French at all.

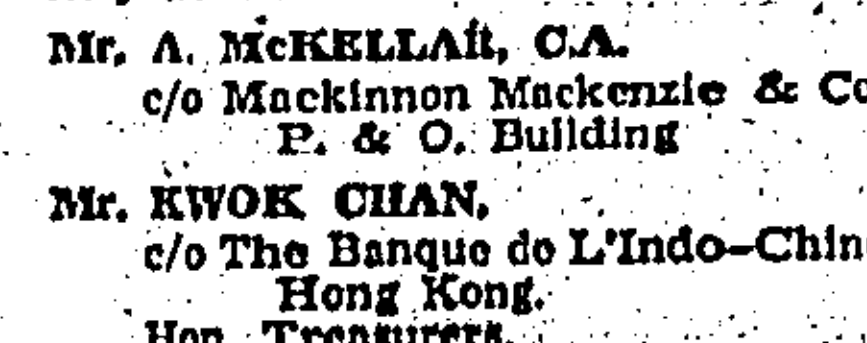
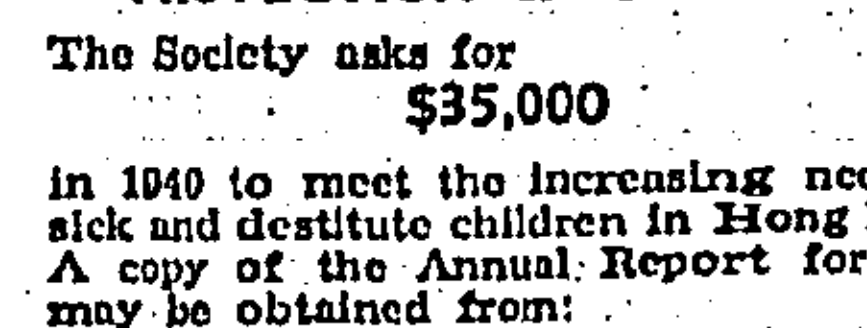
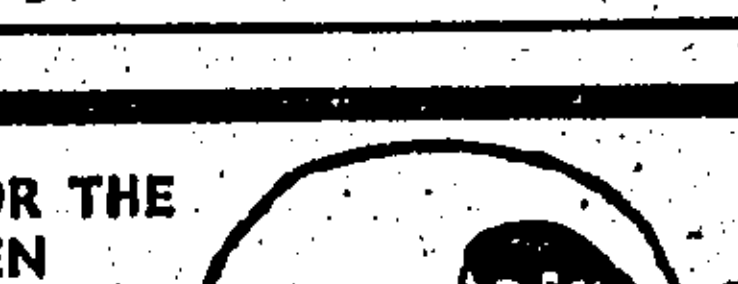
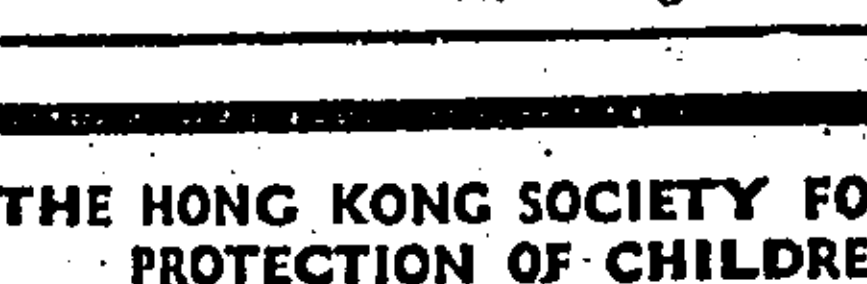
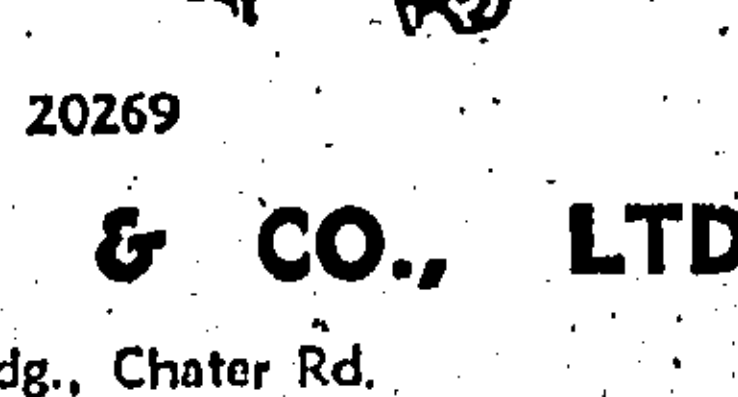
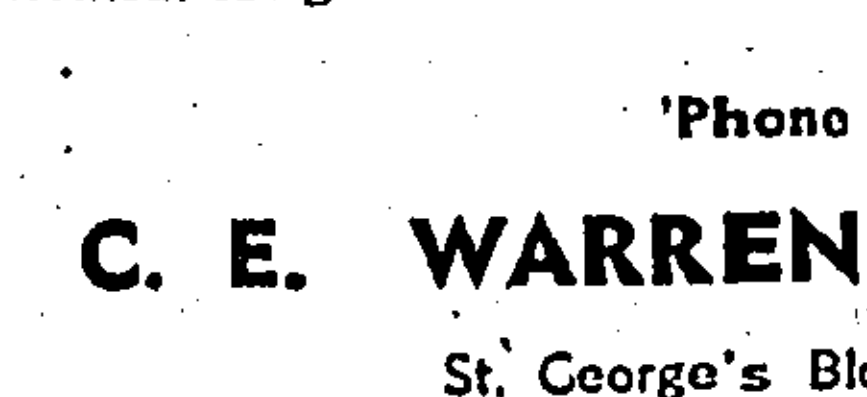
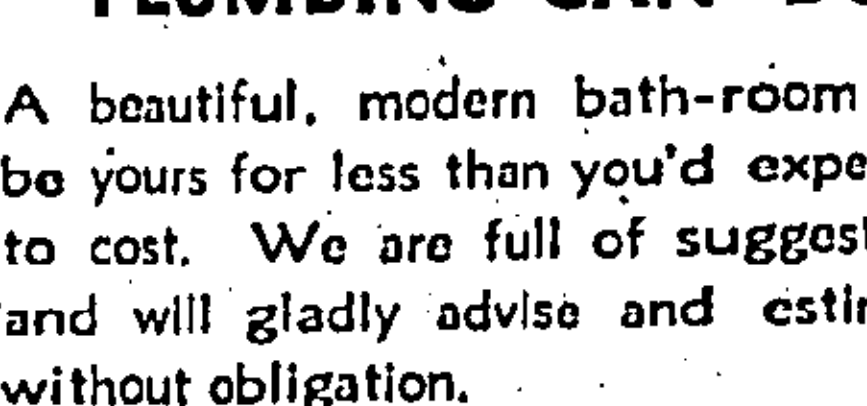
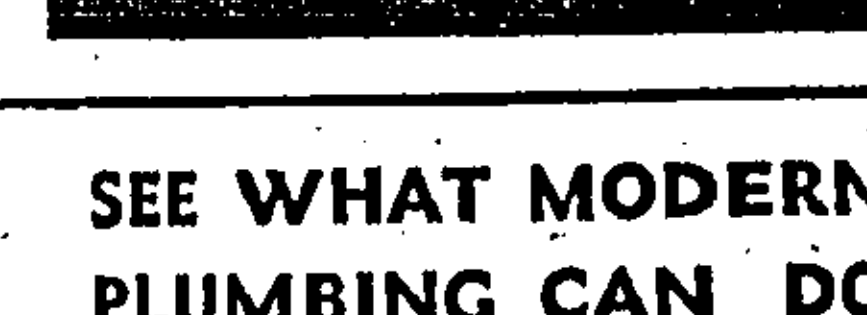
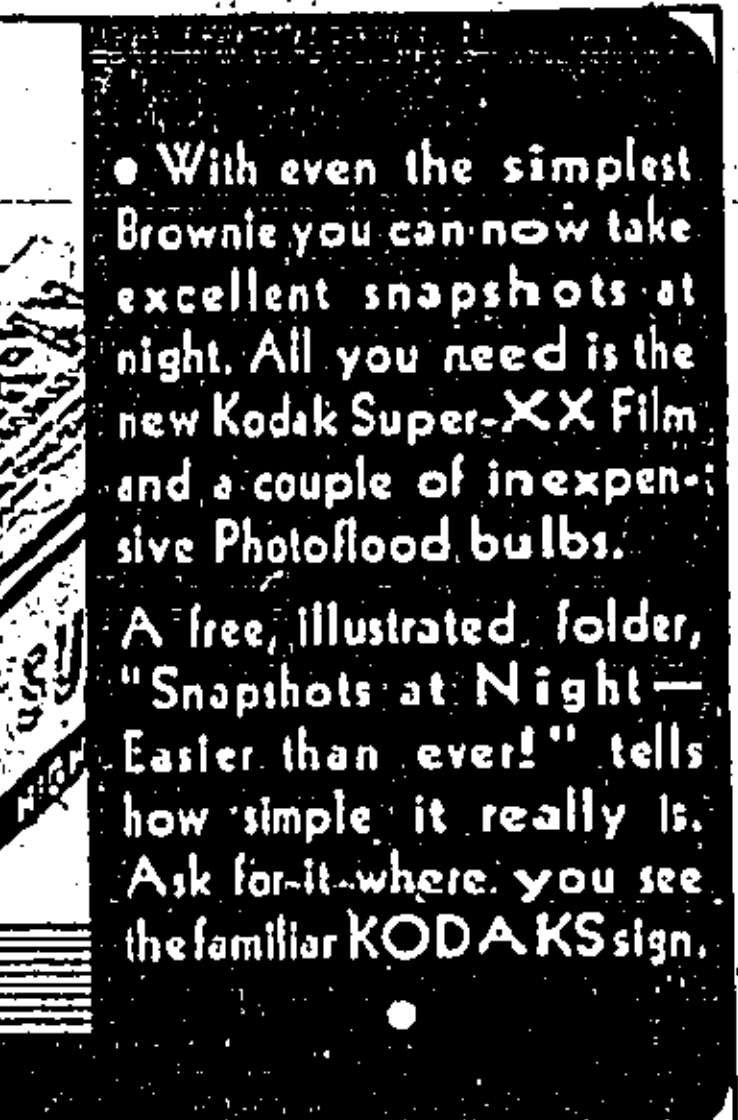
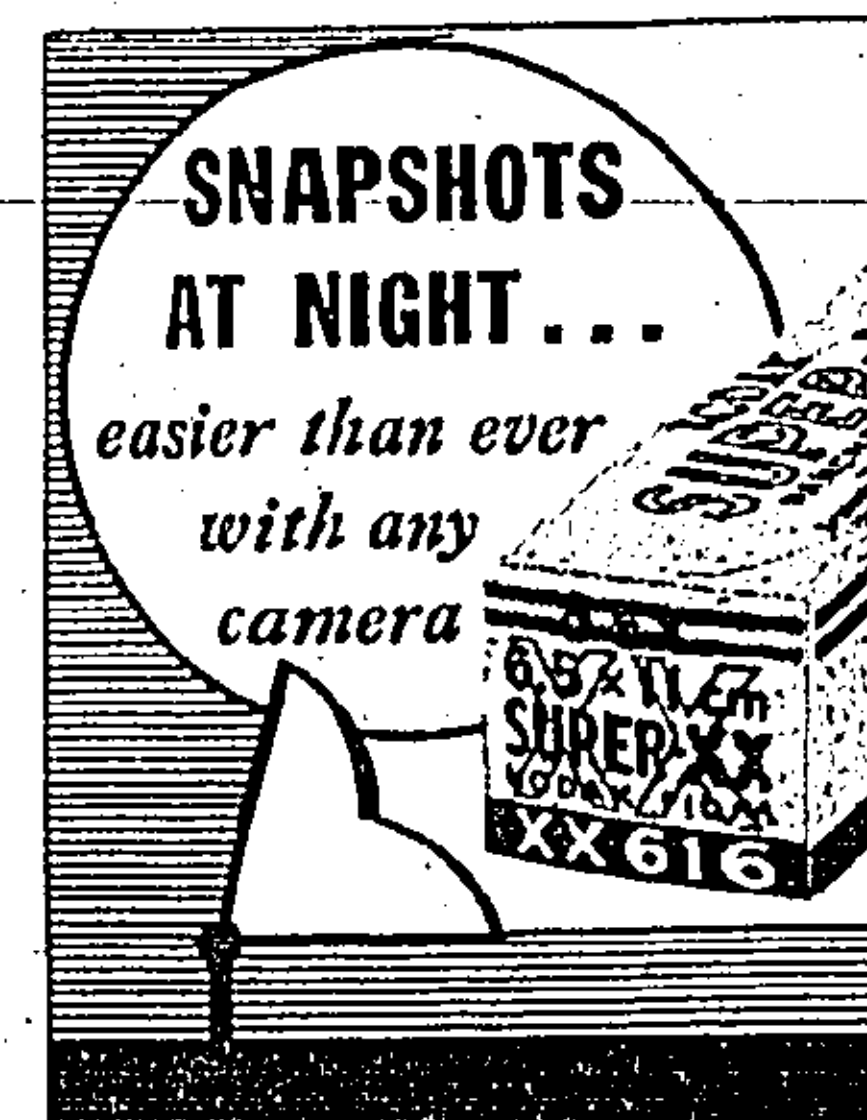
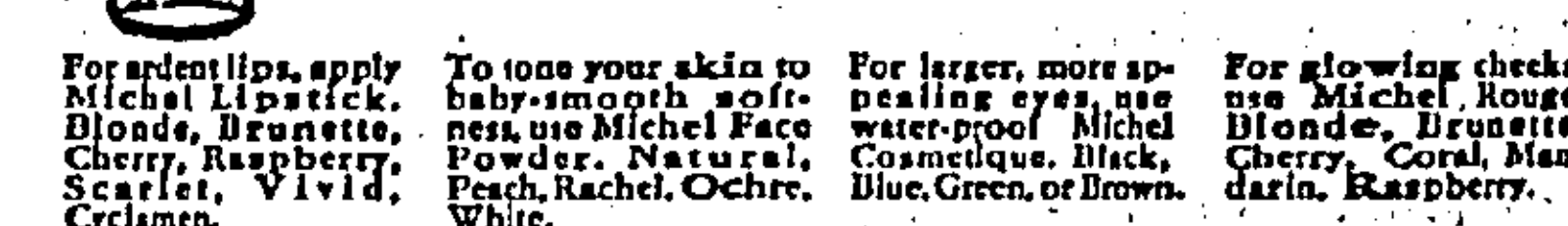
They are apt to beg and run after you in the streets until they get something out of you; but if you find them really—disrespectful the Nelson officer will, on application, supply you with one or two magic phrases to disperse them. But don't be too harsh; they may be the allies of tomorrow.

LASTLY, there is the *homme de la rue*. He's very much like the rest of us men-in-the-street in any civilised country. He reserves the right to think and say what he likes. He enjoys political argument, makes indecent jokes at the expense of the Government, the censorship, the bachelor's tax and the bonus for large families.

When a crisis arises, however, he becomes deadly and grimly calm. September a year ago he behaved so quietly and determinedly that I wondered, watching him, why *savoy froid* was supposed to be exclusively an English virtue.

One thing only will bring the blood rushing to his cheeks: the mention of "Hitler."

ADVIS: A. J. C. [REDACTED]



"Captain Foster's" Racing Review

JANUARY MEETING AT MACAO

ENTRIES REACH USUAL MARK FOR THE AREIA PRETA COURSE

THE JANUARY RACE MEETING under the auspices of the Macao Jockey Club will be held at Areia Preta on Sunday, the entries being up to the usual mark. The first saddling bell will be rung at 1.45 p.m.

SZECHUEN HANDICAP SHOULD PROVIDE BEST RACE

The opening event will be the Kansu Handicap, and the run is over six furlongs. On paper, Eagle should have an easy passage to collect the first prize, but I think National Triumph is dangerous as he has been well treated with an allowance of a stone. Cloudy Star should secure a minor place.

The best race of the afternoon should be seen in the Szechuen Handicap, in which the handicapper has assigned six of the best Macao sibs to the first section. The event is a scramble over five furlongs, and anything may happen. If my memory serves, Shanghai 4 has never before been allotted an impost of 140 lbs., and I am sure it must be a great relief to the old warrior when he appears before the starter. I fancy him with Fairy Ousel and Meadow Eve to follow in the rear.

CHINGHAI H'CAP

First Section

GALLANT Marshal after his smart win in Fanning last Sunday should not have any difficulty annexing the Chinghai Handicap (first section) over six furlongs, but he must keep an eye on Heddon. New Bedford ran very well last Sunday and I have not been able to ascertain whether the grey gelding is making the trip to the Macao course. The pony has in my opinion a good chance, provided the owner jockey (Mr. Sequera, a novice) will take a tip in the true sporting spirit. My humble advice is to face the start without a whip, and I am sure he will find that the pony runs better.

Second Section

GOLD Clause is my pick for the second section of the Szechuen Handicap over five furlongs. The handicapper comes from either Merry Fatty or Merry Maker, but Courser Bleu is my choice for a long shot.

TIBET HANDICAP

Only Four Entries

OWING to the proximity of the Annual Race Meeting at Happy Valley, the Tibet Handicap for "B" class China ponies over five furlongs has not been able to attract more

Final Selections

My selections for the six races are as follows:

KANSU HANDICAP
National Triumph
Eagle
Cloudy Star
SZECHUEN HANDICAP (1ST SECTION)
Shanghai 4
Fairy Ousel
Meadow Eve
CHINGHAI HANDICAP (1ST SECTION)
Gallant Marshal
Heddon
New Bedford
CHINGHAI HANDICAP (2ND SECTION)
Gold Clause
Merry Maker
Merry Fatty
TIBET HANDICAP
Talkative
The Tigress
Sunshine Suse
SZECHUEN HANDICAP (2ND SECTION)
Persian Cat
Rose Day
Blaisdon

than four entries, and I doubt that all will weigh out. However, Talkative is my tip, in fact I cannot see any thing to beat him. Sunshine Suse will no doubt give him a good run for the money and so will The Tigress.

Second Section

Chinghai H'cap

FOR the last event, the Chinghai Handicap (second section) for "E" class China ponies over six furlongs, my fancy is Persian Cat, who heads the handicap list with 162 lbs. Blaisdon and Rose Day are the next best two, the latter being the better sprinter.

Training Track Times

Augur New Records

LAST SATURDAY was a lovely morning, and the going was exceptionally good. There was present at Happy Valley a good crowd of interested owners, and in the circumstances several Australian ponies of this season's bunch have come forward in the limelight. Judging by the training gallops, I have a good reason to predict that we shall see a few new track records established at the forthcoming annual meeting.

The best gallop of the week-end was the performance of Maple Star by Graculus over the Derby course, and the mare covered the circuit in 3.12.3/5, finishing the last quarter in 29.1/5 seconds. The last mile was 2.04, but I was not impressed with the whole show.

I liked the gallop of Australian Diamond over the same course, for the daughter of Philensis responded gamely in the last mile run. Although the chestnut mare took 15 seconds more than Maple Star's time for 1 1/2 miles, the home stretch was entered in 25 1/2 seconds, while the last half mile was changed 55 1/2 seconds. A note should be kept that the last mile was 2.03 1/2. However, a gallop of this calibre showed that the mare must have come from a good "racing family," and I hope it will be proved so at the Annual Carnival.

Fair Chance, a stable-mate of Australian Diamond, went alone over 1 1/2 miles, and although he came home in 20 1/2 seconds (full time being 3.23 1/2), I am not too sanguine about his capability as a stayer.

VICEROY'S PERFORMANCE

BY the way, Viceroy is a mare sired by Sun King, who is also the father of Longdon and Fair Chance. I have not seen Longdon for a long time, but Viceroy is undoubtedly the best of the three off-springs. The progeny was asked to show what she could do over the champion course, and Viceroy came out of the test with flying colours.

Accompanied by an amah, the first quarter was journeyed in 29 1/2 seconds, and the first half mile was done in 56 1/2 seconds. As the chapter could not keep up the terrific pace, Viceroy had to travel the last three-quarters of the circle alone. This she accomplished in 1.37, romping home in 28 1/2 seconds for the last two furlongs. Judging by the last form, there is reason to believe that the mare runs better in a company and I hope to confirm this in a fortnight's time.

THE BEST SPRINT

THE best sprint gallop of last Saturday was by Ascot Day (Mr. L. B. Chao), accompanied by Perola d'Orient, the former accomplished the mile in 1.58 1/2 which was certainly a grand run. They were fully extended, but in the home run Perola d'Orient was crawling like a snail, and the bay mare finished about 60 yards behind.

The pair jumped off with 32 1/2 seconds for the first quarter, but going up the rock the speed was accelerated and when they flashed past the half mile beacon, the time taken was 1.02 1/2. Coming down the hill Perola d'Orient was hard pressed, and the mare threw in her sponge after the grass track.

Ascot Day completed the last quarter in 27 seconds and she finished on the bit. She should win the Sydney Maiden Stakes over six furlongs without any trouble.

The center of Far View over the same distance in 2.00 1/2 was very creditable owing to the fact that the mare was full of running down the straight. This youngster in another good run for the Sydney Maiden Stakes.

TRYING HER OUT

MR. Needa was up on Vanity Fair and the combination went over the mile in 2.07 1/2, galloping the last quarter in 28 1/2 seconds. The Shanghai jockey was no doubt feeling the pony and it seemed to me that he liked the mount. Vanity Fair is by Lorain, who was also responsible for the existence of Shine Again.

The latter was given a good spin over the mile, and the brown mare took 2.04 1/2 with a finishing touch of 28 1/2 seconds for the last 400 yards. It will be seen that both are not too bad over the mile and under.

It is learned from a reliable source that there are some 300 Australian and Chinese ponies training for the annual big meeting, and in the circumstances it must be admitted that the Hongkong jockey was no doubt feeling the pony and it seemed to me that he liked the mount. Vanity Fair is by Lorain, who was also responsible for the existence of Shine Again.

INNOVATION BY THE HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB

FOR THE FIRST TIME in the annals of Hongkong's racing, the list of China ponies, bona fide griffins of the season, generally issued by the Hongkong Jockey Club, has in addition the names of the sires. I understand it is a scheme introduced quite recently by the Stewards to exercise a control of the pony's origin, and the project will no doubt provide a reliable record of every griffin's breeding.

A list of all Derby griffins (China ponies) entered for the big meeting is appended below, and all "S" before the names indicates that the candidates have been nominated for the Hongkong Derby to be contested on February 19.

Brand No.	Name of Pony	Colour	Height	Sire
K 19	Alexandra Bay	Bay Stallion	14.1	Usurpator
K 44	Attacking Time	Bay Mare	14.0	Don Juan
K 44	Blue-Sides	Bay Mare	14.0	Gromoboy
J 50	Bronze Arrow	Chestnut	14.1	Karagach
J 70	Burford	Bay Stallion	14.2	Secret
J 55	Care Free	Chestnut	14.1	Lhaerd
J 70	Charlester	Bay Stallion	14.1	Blaze 11
K 53	Clember	Chestnut	14.1	Gromoboy
K 37	Common View	Chest. Mare	14.1	Don Juan
K 33	Calgavand	Bay	14.1	Earc
K 45	Chino	Chestnut	14.0	Orlic
K 11	Distinctive Time	Chest. Mare	14.1	Not Known
J 2	Dupont Bay	Brown Mare	14.1	Not Known
K 3	Eve of Hunting	Bay	14.0	Usurpator
K 1	Eve of Dancing	Bay	14.1	Usurpator
K 13	Eve of Folly	Bay Mare	14.0	Burnt Mint
K 10	Eve of Peace	Bay Mare	14.0	Burnt Mint
K 7	Eve of Reason	Bay Mare	14.0	Burnt Mint
K 6	Eve of Rest	Chest. Mare	14.1	Not Known
K 22	For All Time	Chest. Mare	14.1	Not Known
K 43	Forty Three	Chestnut	14.0	Usurpator
K 21	Gay Star	Bay Mare	14.1	Usurpator
K 22	Gretcher	Bay Mare	14.1	Usurpator
J 74	Hillboro Bay	Bay	13.3	Baron
K 20	Hopful Star	Grey Stallion	14.1	Alibi
K 18	Hughier	Black	13.3	Not Known
K 15	Huerler	Chestnut Mare	14.1	Not Known
K 15	Jana Doe	Bay Stallion	14.0	Gano
K 30	Johnber	Chestnut Mare	13.3	Joker
K 68	Kentucky	Bay Mare	14.1	Bunder
K 17	Laurel	Chestnut	14.1	Kayo
K 75	Law and Order	Chestnut Mare	14.1	Don Juan
K 18	Leading Time	Bay Mare	13.3	Not Known
J 20	Little Princess	Bay	14.1	Not Known
J 47	Lustania	Bay Stallion	14.1	Joker
J 72	Mount Hope Bay	Bay Mare	13.3	Not Known
K 25	Noble Success	Chestnut	14.1	Alibi
K 47	Obilway (late Egmont Bay)	Bay	14.1	Not Known
K 5	O-Lan	Brown Mare	14.0	Karagach
K 48	Omaha	Chestnut	14.1	Big Boy
K 41	Oomph	Bay Mare	14.0	Usurpator
J 10	Osage (late Rosy Time)	Chest. Mare	13.3	Not known
K 38	Palber	Bay Mare	14.1	Athos
J 73	Patricia	Bay Mare	14.1	Eage
J 80	Possible	Bay Mare	14.0	Ocan
J 17	Prince Charming	Chestnut	14.1	Not known
K 54	Racyleight	Chestnut Mare	14.1	Talldora
H 13	Resisting Time	Chestnut Stallion	14.0	Not known
J 77	Ronson	Bay	14.0	Not known
H 33	Rose Charming	Chest. Mare	14.1	Karagach
J 54	Rose Elegant	Bay Mare	14.1	Karagach
J 55	Rose Perfect	Bay Mare	14.1	Karagach
K 58	Royber	Bay	14.1	Big Boy
K 50	Satnight	Brown Stallion	14.1	Gromoboy
K 51	Silver Wings	Chestnut	14.1	Samokand
K 50	Smashing Through	Bay Mare	14.1	Usurpator
K 57	Spicylight	Bay Mare	14.1	Grunder
K 30	Thirty Six	Chest. Mare	14.0	Usurpator
K 35	Victoria	Brown Mare	14.1	Not known
K 59	White Diamond	Chestnut	14.0	Karagach
K 67	Xenophon	Bay	14.1	Orlic

ARMSTRONG RETAINS WELTERWEIGHT TITLE

NEW YORK, Jan. 25 (Reuter).—At Madison Square Garden to-night, Henry Armstrong retained the world welterweight title when he beat Pedro Montez, of Puerto Rico, by a technical knockout in the ninth round.

The bell twice saved Montez. He was hopelessly outwitted and floored three times.

Rest Of Colony Team To Play Interport XV

The following have been selected to play for the Rest of the Colony against the Colony Interport team on Saturday ground at 4 p.m.—D. H. Taylor (Police); Sub-Lt. Kennedy (Navy); Sub-Lt. Kennedy (Navy); and Capt. Richards (Army); Capt. Hock (Army); and E. C. Luscombe (Police); E. C. Luscombe (Police); Cpl. Suberland (Army); R. J. Cullinan (Police); L. A. Seale (Police); E. O. Taylor (Navy); Wright (Navy); C. W. King (Navy) and Lt. Pinkerton (Army).

LAST Wednesday morning I had the pleasure of seeing Mr. Moller's three aspirants for the Hongkong Derby. Spicylight galloped a mile in 2.09, while Racyleight ran the same distance in 2.13 1/2, romping home in 29 1/2 seconds. Satnight went over the champion course in 2.50 1/2 (last mile being 2.13 1/2). Basing on the times returned by each candidate, one would certainly like the performance of Spicylight, but I still maintain that Satnight is the cream of the Shanghai challengers' string, because the brown stallion has the make and style of a first class stayer.

INTERPORT FOOTBALL SCHEDULE IN SHANGHAI

The Shanghai Football Association announce that the Interport football programme against Hongkong will be as follows:
Thursday, February 2.—Interport against Hongkong at Caidrome, 2.30 p.m.
Friday, February 9.—Hongkong against Combined Chinese at Caidrome, 3 p.m.
Sunday, February 11.—Hongkong v. United Services at Caidrome, 10.30 a.m.

Rifle Shooting

NAVAL RANGE STAFF WIN BELILIOS SHIELD SEMI-FINAL

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION'S spoon and practice shoot at Kowloon City on Wednesday drew 82 members who, in spite of the poor light, enjoyed a good afternoon's sport, and recorded some good scores.

FANLING GOLF STARTING TIMES

The following starting times have been arranged by the Royal Hongkong Golf Club for to-morrow and Sunday:

To-morrow

OLD COURSE

2.00 F. C. Young, J. W. Mayhew.
2.10 A. J. Dennis, J. T. Smith.

Sunday

OLD COURSE

9.16 J. T. Smith, N. K. Littlejohn.
9.20 K. S. Robertson, W. W. G. Sheehan.
9.24 J. P. Sherry, W. A. Stewart.
9.28 A. D. S. Murray, E. G. Price.
9.32 H. W. E. Heath, E. A. Bonaparte.
9.36 D. A. O'Keeffe, W. G. Robertson.
9.40 L. A. R. Duncan, H. C. Stanger.

9.44 G. V. Griffiths, A. V. Greaves.
9.48 Comdr. Hole, R. K. Collings.
9.52 C. D. N. Walker, R. H. Gregory.
9.56 A. C. Meredith, A. M. Kennedy.
10.00 A. L. Potter, E. J. Green.
10.04 T. A. Pearce, A. K. Mackenzie.
10.08 T. E. Pearce, G. F. Murphy.
10.12 J. C. Brown, L. Jackson.
10.16 R. Young, A. B. Purves.
10.20 J. M. Pearson, G. M. Park.
10.24 E. T. McMillan, D. Humphreys.
10.28 S. T. Butlin, H. A. Mills.
10.32 E. P. Strainfield, G. Riddell-Carr.
10.36 H. Overy, W. J. E. Mackenzie.
10.40 A. C. I. Bowker, A. H. Penn.
10.44 F. A. Redmond, D. S. Edwards.
10.48 J. B. Harrison, J. Linaker.
10.52 G. C. Worrall, J. J. Batten.
10.56 G. W. Reeve, D. A. Macdonald.
11.00 D. H. Clifton, C. Young.
11.04 J. C. Clifton, F. C. Chandler.

11.08 J. P. Tamworth, H. B. Williamson.
11.12 A. J. Dennis, W. Baslin.
11.16 A. J. Dennis, W. Baslin.

NEW COURSE

9.24 A. M. Mack, J. S. Dunnett.
9.28 Mrs. Murray, Miss Price.
9.32 Mrs. Greaves, Mrs. Robertson.
9.36 Capt. Reid, Major Taylor.
9.40 Major Mackenzie, Major Robertson.
9.44 J. J. & Mrs. Howell.
9.48 Capt. Taylor, J. J. & Mrs. Howman.
9.52 Mrs. Overy, Mrs. Mackenzie.

HOLE IN ONE

Playing over the Deep Water Bay Course on Wednesday, T. J. Price did the sixth hole, measuring 100 yards, in one stroke.

Dr. C. T. Wang To Kick-Off On Sunday

Dr. C. T. WANG, President of the China National Amateur Athletic Federation, and former Chinese Ambassador to the United States, will kick-off at the Lai Wah Cup football match on Sunday between the Chinese and the Civilians on the Navy ground, Causeway Bay, at 3.30 p.m.

Billiards

Women Champions Banned From West End Club

LONDON, Jan. 2.—Ruth Harrison, the world's finest woman billiards and snooker player, and Joyce Gardner, former British billiards champion, have been banned from playing snooker in a club in the West End of London.

It was proposed that they should compete with men (including some top-notchers) in exhibition matches to be held in aid of the Red Cross at the Royal Automobile Club, Pall Mall, S.W.
Included on the same bill are Joe Davis, world's snooker champion, his brother Fred, Tom Newman, Alex Brown and Sydney Smith.
Like the men, the two women had volunteered their services free. They did not even ask for their expenses. But now the Committee of the R.A.C. have imposed the ban because they are "squash court," where the table will be placed is too close to the swimming bath. Our Own Correspondent.

Arsenal Wins South "A" Championship

LONDON, Jan. 25 (Reuter).—Reading Tottenham by 1-0 to-day Arsenal are now assured of winning the South "A" Section of the Home Regional Football Leagues.

Difficulty Of Supplying Sports Gear To Troops

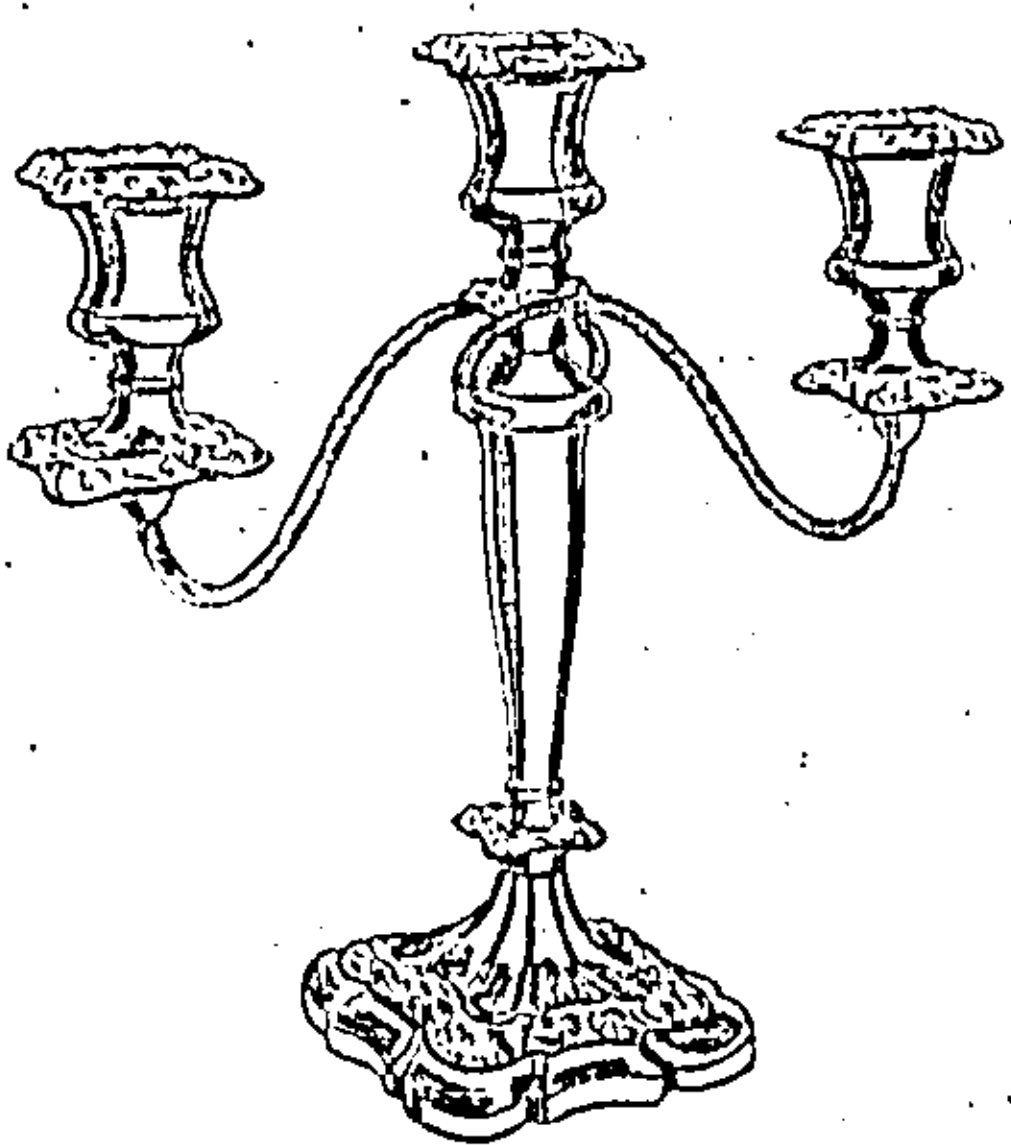
LONDON, Jan. 2.—Great difficulty is experienced, and big costs in getting sports equipment to the British troops in France. It costs half a crown to send boxing gloves, and it seems that something should be done about this. One would like to feel that more of the money contributed for sports equipment could be sent on the goods and less on the cost of their destination. Our Own Correspondent.

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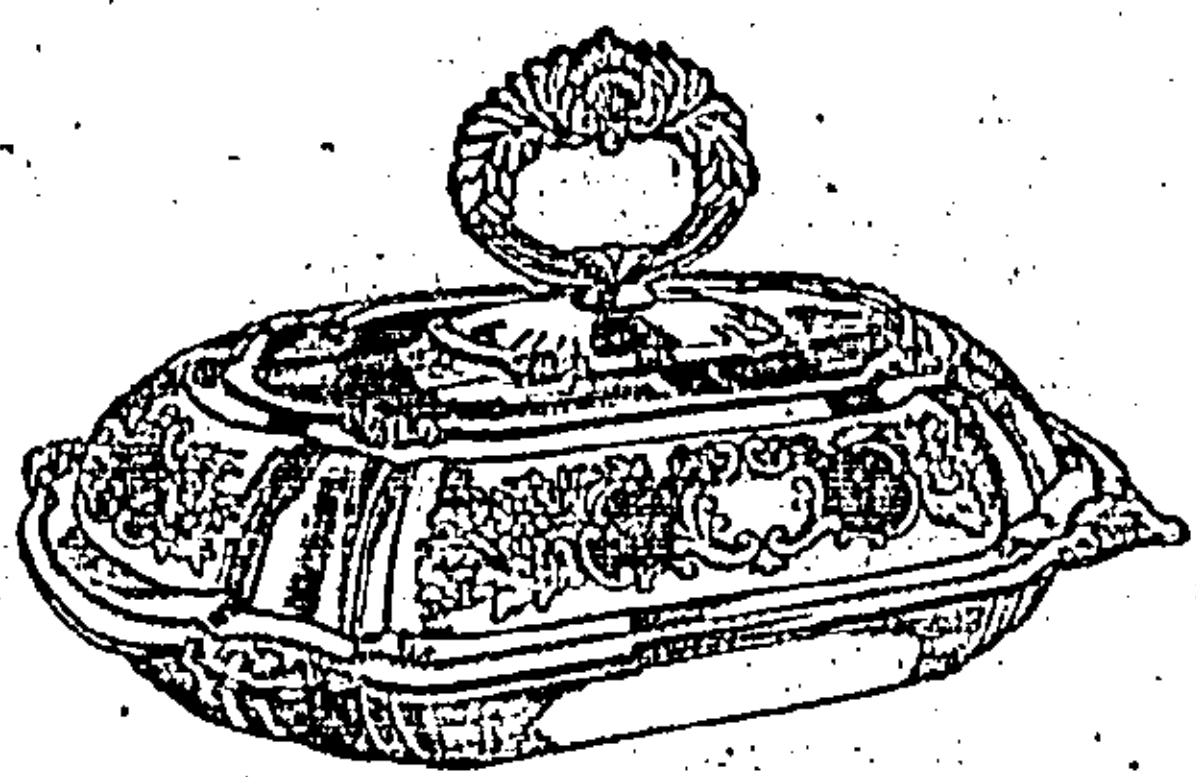
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Weekly Shampoos

By JACQUELINE HUNT

MANY of you can remember when a shampoo was a monthly ordeal that involved setting aside an entire day or at least a good part of it. This was followed by a few trying days when you just "couldn't do a thing with it"—meaning your hair.

But along with the Saturday night bath and heating water on the cook stove, those days are gone forever. Not only do you wash your hair as a matter of cleanliness and grooming but as a health precaution as well. Skin specialists have traced many complexion ailments to oily, germ-laden, unclean scalps. Now even twice-monthly hair washings are no longer considered sufficient for a shining head of hair. You must shampoo your hair every week or ten days to insure its health and beauty.

To make this matter of shampooing much easier and more thorough, there are a number of good shampoos on the market with penetrating lathers and cleansing properties. There are bland olive castile soap liquids for the dry or temperamental hair that soften and cleanse.

There are stronger preparations containing pine tar or other antiseptic ingredients for the over-oiled scalp or the one troubled with dandruff. There are complex oils that lather beautifully and rinse away completely, leaving your hair



Clean-smelling, eau de Cologne added to the rinse-water after a shampoo not only leaves the hair delicately fragrant but hastens the drying time after the waves and curls are set. If necessary to dampen the hair slightly while the curls are being arranged use a mixture of half water and half eau de Cologne.

shiny and bright, while other types of oil preparations serve as a complete hot oil treatment and wash away cleansing preparation for your hair and in ten or fifteen minutes you can have a "crowning glory" to boast about.

From a charming French woman comes a hint to make your shampoo even more pleasant. If your hair is inclined to be a trifle oily, pour a few drops of fragrant eau de Cologne into the rinse-water to act as a mild astringent for your scalp and to add a whiff of fragrance to every lock of your head.

Change the odour of your eau de Cologne with your moods. You might like the clean, sharp smell of unscented eau de Cologne or you might like the spicy, exotic odour of Spanish geraniums for parties or special occasions. Whichever you prefer, you will like the delicate fragrance in your hair, and you'll find it less likely to become untidy or hard to manage between shampoos.

Bland Soap for Dry Hair
Dry hair is another problem and must be treated differently. Use a bland soap or have a hot oil treatment to start with, then after you have rinsed away as much of the soap as you can, try this trick. Fill your wash basin with tepid water and add to it a few drops of bath oil. There is an excellent English preparation for this purpose. The oil softens and scents the water and your hair will have a lovely sheen when your shampoo is complete.

Remove the excess moisture from your hair with warm towels and when your hair is only slightly damp, comb, brush and push into waves. This will be sufficient if your hair has a slight natural curl. If not, push the waves into place and roll the damp ends in little curlers. Or, if you have the patience and skill, form little flat round curls with your fingers and pin them in place like your hair-dresser does when you

Short Cuts

Velvet may be cleaned by rubbing magnesium into it. Shake well occasionally. When entirely gone over, brush well with a clean brush that is not too stiff.

Add sliced raw potatoes when rendering fat of any kind; it will make the fat white and clear.

Rice will not stick to the pan in which it is cooked if the pan is greased with butter beforehand. Some housewives prefer putting a piece of butter in the rice. Either method does the trick.

Beauty Tips

If you are an outdoor enthusiast and enjoy vigorous sports like riding or hiking, then see how pretty you will look with a suntan make-up. Use a rather dark tinted cream and powder. Your complexion will look warm and pretty when the wind whips up a natural blush.

To be beautiful in winter keep your circulation lively. Take stretching exercises every morning. Indulge in some outdoor sport even though it's nothing more than running with your dog. Don't have your indoor temperature too high.

Have your hair set at a beauty shop. Over your curls slip a tidy looking mesh cap or net to hold every hair in place until your hair is thoroughly dry. Then brush into soft, natural looking swirls and curls. Finish by spraying lightly with brilliantine to give added highlights.



Basically, most dresses now are built on the flared skirt with form-fitted top, skirts being gored, double-tiered or bordered. This parrot green heavy crepe dress has a double row of buttons marking the centre panel of the princess gores.



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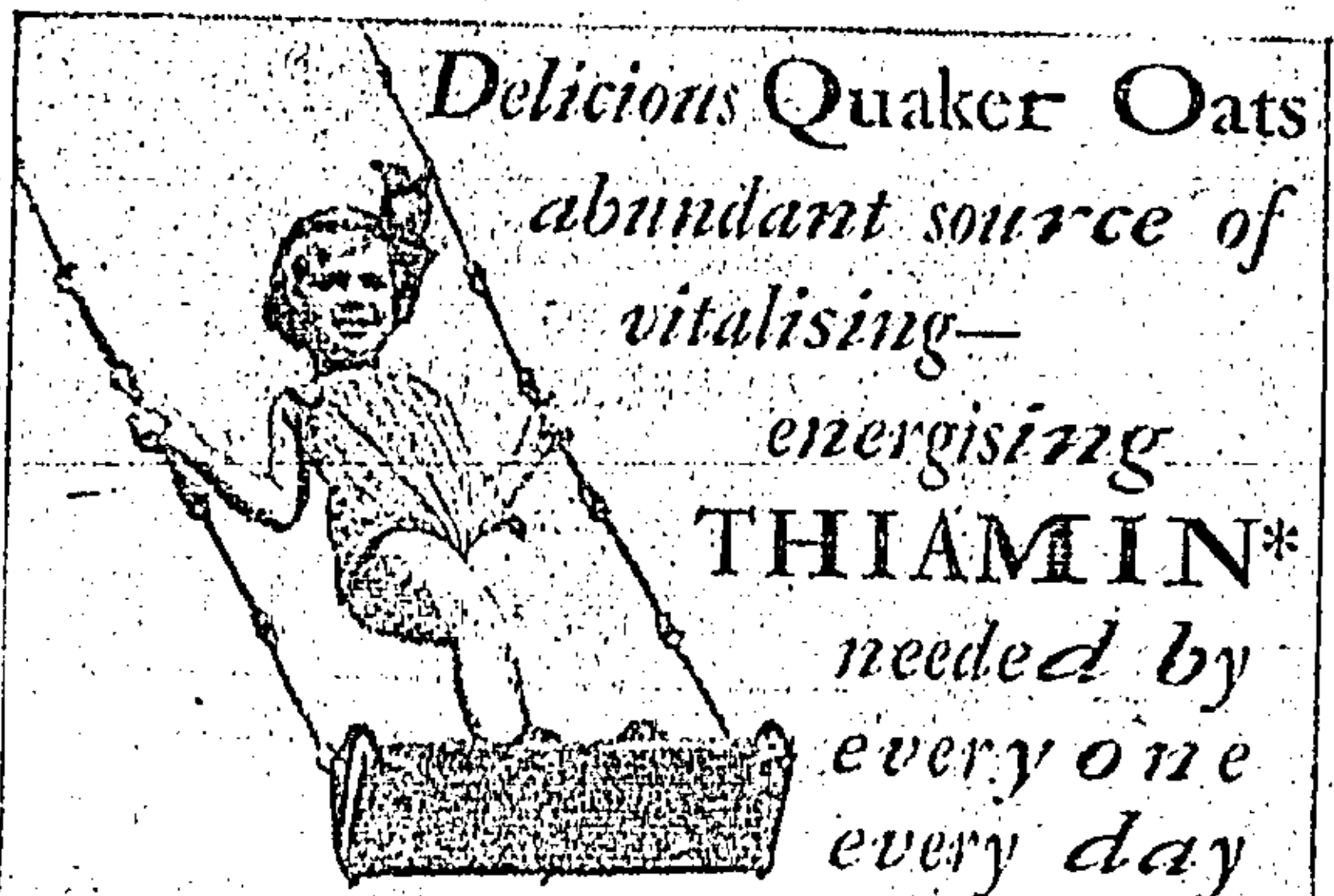
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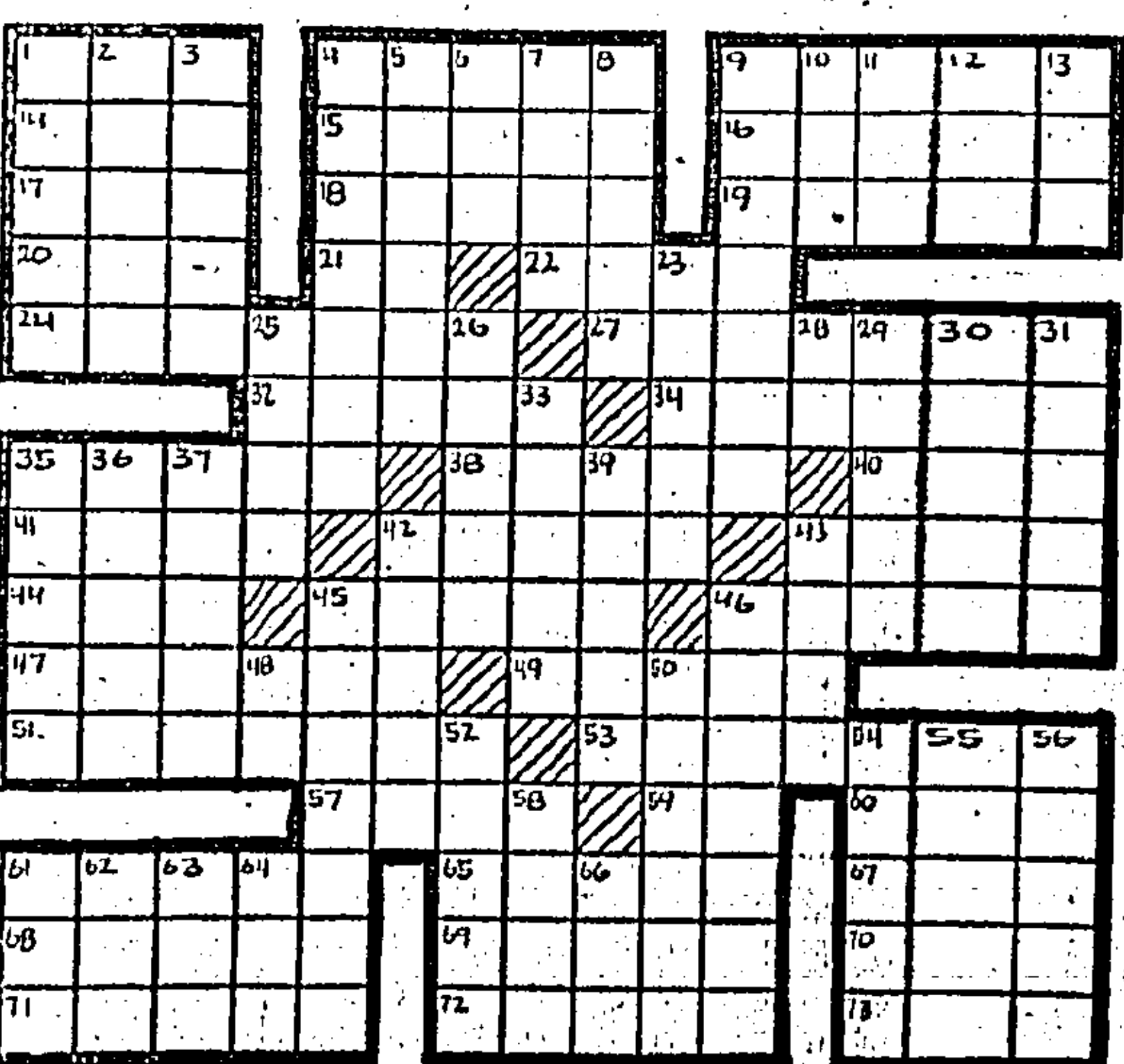
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Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

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The U.S. War Department has ordered the evacuation of American troops from the Mysang district in the island of Mindanao, despite the fact that the peaceful community is threatened with extinction by Allpang and his dreaded Moro bandits.

Four men are ordered to Mysang to assist Colonel Hatch in training the Philippines Constabulary, which is to keep order in the district after the withdrawal of the troops. Soon after their arrival Colonel Hatch is murdered by a Moro and Manning takes charge. But Manning, too, is killed, leaving only Hartley, a strict disciplinarian, Larson, McCool and Canavan, the doctor, to hold out against the thousands of Moros. The Moros dam the water supply, as a result of which cholera breaks out.

THE disease spread like wildfire.

Every available cot was set up in the hospital, and when that was full they used the church. Stretchers passed through the streets hourly, bearing the stricken, carrying out the dead.

Canavan gave the orders: no raw fruit or uncooked vegetables. No more boats to unload their cargoes at the dock. No more water from the well.

He went to Hartley: "We've got to have water. The whole village is polluted. You've got to send someone to dynamite the dam!"

Hartley protested—the jungle would be sure death to anybody.

"It's sure death here unless we get water," Canavan snapped.

Struggling against overwhelming odds Canavan tried to bring the disease under control.

The Spanish well was covered and a guard posted night and day with orders to shoot down anyone attempting to get water.

The flames of the lime kiln illuminated the night; great bonfires in the street were continually fed by contaminated clothing and household articles—the leaping, fantastic shadows seemed like the form of death itself, unleashed.

Hartley knew Canavan was right. He called Larson, gave him a squad of eight men and orders to dynamite the dam. Miguel went with him to show him the way. When he shook hands with Canavan and McCool his honest face was beaming with delight: "Oh, boy! What orchids I'm going to get in that jungle!"

"Hope it won't be lilies," McCool muttered as they watched him disappear into the jungle.

THE fight against disease went on. The river bed stretched out under the pitiless sun, cracked and gray as the dry skin of a snake. No water flowed, and Larson did not return.

The padre passed from house to house administering extreme unction and comforting the bereaved.

Linda haunted the hospital and the streets, overwhelmed by the catastrophe. Canavan making his ceaseless rounds seemed hardly to see her. At last she stood squarely in his path, her face pale and strained, her hands clasped tightly together. "I want to help," she said.

"This isn't your kind of soldiering, Linda," he said wearily. "It's just filth and slime and work that'll make you sick to your stomach."

"Tell me what to do."

In his tired mind he suddenly saw her, at six, in a Top Sergeant's uniform; his long sensitive lips relaxed in just the ghost of a smile. "See that lime over there? Make a saturated solution, and wash every dish in every house in Mysang."

"Yes, sir," Linda answered—and for a fleeting second he imagined she was going to salute.

One night Yabo walked into Canavan's office with a dozen grim looking soldiers behind him. "Captain," he said, "we watch our women and children die. . . . Allpang—he do this to us, and stay safe in the jungle. We no longer afraid of enemy who do this coward thing—we want to fight, we are ready."

Canavan felt a thrill go up his spine as he heard the Filipino words—at last they were ready to



march! He took them to Hartley. But Hartley was as implacable as ever. As long as he was in command, the War Department orders would be obeyed! He reminded Canavan of a sick herd-bull, defying the moment when his leadership would be wrested from him.

Revolt was in the air. It was a churning under the sick apathy of the plague-ridden town. You could see it in the dark faces of the soldiers watching their women die at his side.

McCool felt the need to fight rising in him like a fever. He faced Hartley across his desk, some stupendous effort of control making him sway on his feet and clench his fists at his side.

"Shouldn't someone go and see what happened to Larson, Captain?" he said in a tense voice.

"Sorry, McCool, I can't spare any more men. Suppose there was an attack on the post?"

"I wish to God there was—so does everybody else. We're all so nervous we're jumping at shadows! McCool leaned over the desk, his eyes burning with a feverish light: "If you don't send me to look for Larson, sir—I'm going myself—with or without orders."

"McCool! You're sick. The Irishman rushed out without answering. Just at the door he staggered slightly. Canavan found him a few minutes later, face down on the floor of his bedroom, his cartridge belt hooked around his waist.

WHEN Hartley got the report of McCool's collapse he seemed to take it like a death blow. Canavan had got McCool into bed with Linda's help, and when she had fallen into an exhausted sleep sitting by his side, Canavan had carried her to her own quarters in his arms.

Hartley was waiting for him in the shadows of the veranda when he came out. He came uncertainly across the porch. "Linda all right?" he asked vaguely.

"Just exhausted from forty-eight hour duty," Canavan said briefly.

"Sit down, Canavan. I want to talk to you."

"I'm pretty busy."

HARTLEY put a hand on his arm. Canavan noticed again the heavy immobility of the man, like a strong animal stalked to the ground.

"Canavan," he said without further preliminaries, "I'm going blind."

So that was it! "That bolt cut the nerve centre. Hatch knew—he ordered me home to the base hospital, but I tore up the report after he was killed. I—I wanted to die in harness. The army is my life."

The blundering, lonely pride of the man tore at Bill's heart. He couldn't help feeling sorry for him, but it was a nice mess. "I had to tell you," the hopeless voice went on. "Larson's gone, McCool's sick. You're the only one left. We've got to send for the army."

Canavan rose as though he would do hand to hand battle with Hartley's despair. "Maybe you can wait that long, but the cholera can't. We don't need the army—we need running water."

A figure detached itself from the shadows at the foot of the steps—the whip-like body of the Datu in his gaudy coat and tight striped trousers—a strange, almost carnival figure in this setting of death and sorrow and with the carnival number's mask carved in lines of exaggerated good fellowship, which somehow convey a latent dreadfulness.

Canavan didn't like the man. "It is true," the Datu was saying in measured tones, "the people die unless the river runs again."

A slight urgency came into his voice and he leaned forward addressing the bowed figure of Hartley: "Give me men, Tuan, and I will lead them myself to the river head to break up the dam."

Long afterwards, Canavan remembered the expression in his small eyes—the diabolical intensity. He got no further, for down the street two soldiers moved slowly, limp body between them, calling for the doctor.

The slim outlines of the body they carried made Canavan leap down the steps and across to them in two strides.

"Miguel!" The closed eyes fluttered. "Teniente. Canavan leaned over him. "What happened?"

"Miguel struggled for words. 'Ambush—killed—everybody.' He lapsed into unconsciousness. As Canavan took him in his arms, he was conscious of the Datu peering intently into the boy's face.

Miguel was tough. Canavan thought he could patch him up, but for some reason he didn't say so, in answer to the Datu's inquiring stare.

Something troubled Miguel the next morning as he tossed restlessly to and fro on his narrow hospital cot. He mumbled and muttered incessantly as he came out of the anesthetic.

Canavan caught the word "Datu" several times, then the boy would lapse into unconsciousness. Canavan leaned forward, tensely. "Come on, Mike—what about the Datu? Try to remember."

At the sound of the name, Mike opened his eyes wide in sudden terror, and grabbed Bill's arm: "The Datu—he with Allpang's men in ambush—he'll kill Larson."

CANAVAN raced back to Hartley's quarters, but he was no longer on the porch or in his bedroom. He rushed across the parade ground to headquarters, but every window was dark. In the guardhouse he grabbed a Sergeant: "Where's Captain Hartley?"

The Sergeant saluted: "He leave half hour ago for jungle with company of men."

"The Datu, was he with him?"

"Si, Teniente. He go along."

The river wound and turned interminably up into the hills. Canavan thrashed through the vegetation, trying to find a trail.

He had taken the long chance of getting to Hartley and his men before they were betrayed into ambush by the treacherous Datu. He had left the sick McCool in charge in the village—when McCool heard there was nobody else, through the fog of his fever, he raised his head from his pillow and saluted weakly: "An order, sir, and by the time Canavan had on his cartridge belt, the Irishman was reaching for his shoes."

On the other side he found strewn up the hillside like clues in a treasure hunt, cartridge belts, tin plates and forks, a soldier's hat, a battered harmonica, and finally, near some shambles, a knapsack with several bottles of unopened beer.

The bodies of the soldiers were further up where they had fought off the surprise attack, their backs to the river.

He had left the sleeping Lindu with a kiss. That was the hardest thing to do. Fighting the cholera side by side, he had learned the stuff she was made of, and he knew when he went back home to hang out his shingle she must be by his side. If and when he amended his thought as he gazed around him at the trackless, forbidding jungle. There was no sign of Hartley or even of the Datu. Evidently the Datu was leading him far off any track a searching party would follow, to the waiting ambush. Poor half-blind Hartley would have to rely implicitly on his leadership, never suspect the duplicity until he walked straight into the trap.

Canavan reached a clearing above the edge of the river. Above him two buzzards circled heavily up from behind a boulder of rock.

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Suddenly Canavan stopped rigid with horror. Under a flat-branched tree, spreading itself with the utilitarian precision of an umbrella, was a pale head sprouting like a giant mushroom from the sod.

Almost unrecognizable under the mask of tortured dying, and thick with honey, were the simple child-like features of Larson.

Canavan's mouth went down in a thin hard line which, for a moment, was not steady.

Then he leaned over, took a bottle of beer from Larson's case and cracked it open against the rock beside him.

With eyes level on the face of his friend, he drank a silent toast that was also a pledge. Then he crashed the empty bottle against the rock.

Canavan began to climb again along the river bank. His eyes caught sight of the snake-like movement of men moving in single file on a high rocky escarpment to his right. He veered off in that direction, clambering frantically up the steep rough grade, away from the river.

Sometimes he would lose sight of the slowly winding column, then it would reappear quite sharply against the sky.

At last he was running parallel to it as it wound into an isolated gully. He saw the Datu pacing quickly in the lead, his eyes shifting from side to side. He saw him turn when the groping Hartley, stumbling and tripping behind him, asked him a sharp and anxious question.

Evidently Hartley had begun to question the circuitous way they were going to the river head. Helpless in his growing blindness, Canavan could see his hands fluttering out in a futile instinctive effort to sense his position. Yabo was behind him, his face drawn with worry.

And behind him were the three Moro cargadores, carrying the dynamite boxes on their backs; one of them Canavan recognised as the Suramantado he had captured from Allpang's camp. Quietly, he clambered abreast of the column and jumped down from a boulder, directly in the Datu's path.

"Why do you lead the men this way, Datu, when the river head is there?" he asked, pointing in the direction from which he had come.

"Canavan!" Hartley called astounded, stopping abruptly in the path.

"That way dangerous," the Datu said sullenly.

"Yes, I know—I just got a look at Larson. And I know who ambushed him."

LIKE lightning the Datu's kris was out and swung through the Canavan, who was quicker with his gun, and it clattered to the ground as the Moro caught at his wounded wrist.

A screaming Moro command galvanized the cargadores standing behind Yabo.

Yelling, they rushed up the side of the gully and started running for the edge of the escarpment.

The one in the lead, without a moment's hesitation, flung himself over the edge of the cliff, and the second one followed, lifting both feet off the ground in a wild suicidal leap.

The faint screams of "Allah!" were swallowed up in a terrific explosion, as the dynamite boxes crashed on the rocks below.

The third cargadore reeled backwards as a bullet from Canavan's pistol caught him in the back; his legs seemed paralyzed by the shot, but with his hands he clawed his way to the edge of the cliff.

Canavan grabbed the dynamite box just as he somersaulted with a wild scream into the abyss.

When Canavan turned with the box of dynamite, Hartley was standing apparently stunned by the explosion. As Canavan came toward him he realized the conclusion had left him stone blind.

"It's all right," he said quickly to the unseeing face, "the Datu was leading you into an ambush. I have the dynamite—enough. Yabo!"

"Yes, sir."

Canavan was opening the dynamite case and stuffing his pockets with sticks. "Stay close to Captain Hartley and see that his orders are obeyed. I'm going to the dam."

"Alone?" Hartley asked, turning in the direction of his voice.

"No, I'll take my pal the Datu—as a shield and guide. Wait for me here."

The bound Datu seemed reluctant to follow the path to the riverhead. Canavan was impatient for ambush. Under an arch of knarled and twisted banyans the Moro stopped, sullen and scowling.

"Get on, my friend—" Canavan gave him a push. With a scream he stumbled forward and the earth collapsed under his feet. Face down in a deep pit, Canavan saw the body of the Datu transfixed by a dozen spears.

Hartley waiting in the gully could hear the roar of the dynamite charge, and then the faint steeper roar of the waters rushing into the dry bed of the river and down the mountainside.

When Canavan rejoined Hartley he was unusually grave. "I circled Allpang's campground and there was not a Moro in sight. We've played right into Allpang's hands. All the time we've been marching Allpang and his men—"

"He did not finish the sentence. "We've got to get back fast."

Behind the wall of his blindness Hartley's mind was working doubly quick. "Yabo," he shouted, "not your men cutting bamboo. I want rafts. Enough rafts to carry the whole troop—we'll go by the river."

TO-MORROW THE ATTACK 13th Time Was Unlucky

Contraband Control Got Their Man

LONDON, Jan. 25 (Reuters).—A veteran Norwegian skipper, who boasted that he had slipped through the contraband control in the last war a dozen times, is now in a British port—a tribute to the effectiveness of the British control this time.

His ship was brought in by the contraband control assisted by a seaplane which spotted his vessel near the Arctic and which wirelessly a patrol ship ahead to bring him in.

The captain acknowledges in good spirit that he has been fairly and squarely "trept."

EFFECT OF HINTED U.S. NAVY CUTS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25 (Reuters).—The Naval authorities announce that by limiting the financial authorizations recently granted under the Naval Expansion Programme to vessels which the Navy could build in two years, the sum of \$200,000,000 could be cut from the proposed \$800,000,000. Expansion Bill.

Concessions War Demands By Soviets Sacrifices

In Return For Nazi Military Aid

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" PARIS, Jan. 25 (UP).—Press reports confirm that Russia has made important economic concessions to Germany, even involving mineral rights in Northern Russia, in exchange for a Nazi promise of general staff consultations in regard to Finland and the Balkans.

It is stated that consultations will be held this month in Moscow to discuss Nazi-Soviet collaboration in the face of the increased resistance of neutrals.

Russia has informed Germany that it is necessary for reasons of prestige that Russia conclude the campaign in Finland before attacking in any joint single operations in the Balkans or elsewhere.

The agreement resulted in German troops occupying the corridor of Polish Galicia on Monday.

Embarrassed Silence

Is Japan's Reaction To Wang's "Peace"

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" NEW YORK, Jan. 25 (UP).—"Embarrassed silence has been Tokyo's only reaction to the peace terms reported to have been signed by Mr. Wang Ching-wei," says the New York Times.

"Mr. Wang's pro-Japanese friends in Shanghai explain the government's agreement as 'unofficial, with the approval of the Japanese Army'."

"At a moment when Japan's civilian leaders want to rebuild friendship with the United States, these 'terms' remind us of the mentality of Japan's military commanders. The absence of a Tokyo denial suggests that the Army still controls the Government's policy."

MORE MEN BEING CALLED UP

LONDON, Jan. 25 (Reuters).—The next batch of men to be called up for military service must register on February 17.

The order applies to men over 23 years of age but not yet 24, and those who have reached 20 since the last batch was called up.

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NAZIS ENCOURAGING PEACE PROPAGANDA

London. The reports that the Vatican will support the "peace move" which is alleged to be imminent should be received with the greatest scepticism. There is no evidence at all that the Vatican considers the time ripe for mediatory action of any sort.

The only peace that could come about if negotiated now would be one that would leave the armed might of Germany intact. It would therefore mean a German victory.

Even if Germany were willing to concede to Poles and Czechs a certain measure of independence she would still be the real master of the countries she has occupied.

A peace based on an apparent compromise between German and Allied war aims, therefore, would also mean a German victory, and one that would hold no guarantee against a resumption of hostilities and of further German conquests later on.

Fascist Wishes
The view taken by the Italian authorities with regard to mediation is rather different from that taken in the Vatican City. The leading Fascists certainly do not desire a downright German victory. On the other hand, a "settlement" which would leave Poland, Bohemia-Moravia, and perhaps Austria with even a limited independence might give Italy opportunities of retaining an influence in Eastern and Central Europe.

A peace based on a compromise between Allied and German war aims is not regarded as wholly objectionable in Rome. There is no reason to suppose that a "peace move" is being planned in Rome, but the possibility should not be ruled out altogether.

Observing Effect
Some at least of the reports relating to an impending peace move are being spread by Germany. German industrialists and others who are moderates convey these reports to neutral countries.

GERMAN'S SUICIDE

Formerly Resident Of Hongkong

Chungking, Jan. 25. A German resident, Herr E. P. Beck, 46, committed suicide yesterday at his home. The body was discovered by his servants.

There is much speculation over the motive for the suicide. Herr Beck was for many years an important member of the Otto Wolfe firm, in Hongkong, but he left there in August.

After reaching Macao, Herr Beck came to Chungking by specially chartered aeroplane.

Herr Beck was reputed to be a multi-millionaire, with large banking accounts in Germany, Hongkong and Chungking.—Reuter.

United Press adds that one reason for the suicide was the death of his very close friend, Otto Wolfe. Beck shot himself with a revolver.

SUB. SURVIVORS INTERNED

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Jan. 25 (UP).—Berlin Radio announces the names of four additional survivors from the submarines Undine and Starfish, as follows:

Sub-Lieutenant Anthony Turner, Petty Officer J. T. Patricson, Stoker Jack Faerber, Able Seaman J. Mills.

KING TO GIVE BIBLES TO FIGHTING SERVICES

LONDON.—Thirty thousand Bibles and New Testaments, each containing a message from King George VI, are to be produced for the defence services, it was announced recently.

The message from the King states: "To all serving in my forces by sea or land or in the air and indeed to all my people engaged in the defence of the realm I commend the reading of this book. For centuries the Bible has been a wholesome and strengthening influence in our national life, and it behoves us in these momentous days to turn with renewed faith to this divine source of comfort and inspiration."

The Bibles are being printed with covers of three different colours—khaki for the soldiers, light blue for the Air Force, and dark blue for the Navy.

Alleged Rioters Discharged

Thirteen of 37 men charged with behaving in a riotous manner in the Argyle Street Internment camp were dismissed by Mr. Hinesworth at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court this morning.

The other 24 men were further charged with resisting arrest. Hearing was fixed for 2.30 p.m. on Monday.

LATE NEWS

WAR STARTING IN SPRING

LONDON, Jan. 26 (Reuter).—The French radio told German listeners last night not to take it for granted that the Allied general staff will still sit still and wait until it pleased Hitler to act.

The coming months would reveal secrets that both sides have in store for one another, but it would be absurd to assume that the initiative was bound to rest with our enemies. "The war will start in the Spring," he will have to swallow the consequences," declared the broadcast.

ADMIRALTY TO BUILD ALL SHIPS

LONDON, Jan. 26 (Reuter).—It is understood that the Admiralty intends to take over the building of merchantmen as well as naval vessels.

This is expected to have a big influence in accelerating the shipbuilding expansion programme, and will co-ordinate problems like labour and materials.

FOUR NEW SHIPS

American Vessels To Call At Hongkong

In line with its established policy of providing adequate American flag tonnage to serve American-Philippine trade routes, the American President Lines has chartered four large freighters from the Baltimore Mail Line which will be used immediately in a direct service from New York and Baltimore to Manila, Hongkong, Singapore and Penang.

The first of these freighters, the City of Newport, News, left New York on December 30 and Baltimore on January 2, and will arrive at Manila on February 7 to inaugurate the service of the new line. This ship is due at Hongkong on February 11, at Singapore five days later and at Penang on February 18. From Penang she will return to Manila and Hongkong, thence proceed direct to Los Angeles and the Atlantic coast.

In announcing the new freight service, the Manila office of the American President Lines said that the four steamers will supplement the s.s. President Hayes, as President Monroe and s.s. President Van Buren, freighters operated by the American President Lines on the round-the-world service which travel direct from Los Angeles to Manila.

The Baltimore Mail Line steamers, of 4,378 gross tons and measuring 486 feet in length, are propelled by geared steam turbines. The fleet of the line has been operated in the intercoastal trade for the past two years by the Panama Pacific Line. These are the City of Baltimore, City of Newport, News, City of Norfolk, City of San Francisco (formerly the City of Hamburg), and City of Los Angeles (formerly the City of Havre).

Fortnightly Service

Officials of the American President Lines said that four of these ships will be operated on the direct service across the Pacific, with the ships making sailings every 28 days. They pointed out that this service will give a 30-day transit time from New York to Manila, and 36 days from Baltimore to Manila. With the three American President Line freighters, these ships will provide a fortnightly direct service.

NINE-WORD WAR COMMUNIQUE

PARIS, Jan. 25 (Reuter).—Tonight's French communique states that it was a quiet day on the whole with some artillery action.

Patrols As Usual

LONDON, Jan. 25 (Reuter).—The extreme cold has reduced activity on the Western Front, but patrols were carried out as usual, according to a French communique.

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